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CHARITY BAZAAR POSSIBLE BY INJUNCTION AGAINST POLICE

Order of Moose, Far Rockaway, Enjoins Police Commissioner and Officials—City Departments Threatened Interference Because of Alleged Gambling Violations—Injunction Deemed Smart Legal Attack

Merits Differ from Former Action Which Directly Involved City

Because Inspector Kelley and Police Captain Thomas Myers of the 125th police precinct of New York (Far Rockaway, L. I.) sought to interfere with the charity bazaar which the Loyal Order of the Moose, Far Rockaway Lodge, No. 1324, is sponsoring up to Sept. 8, the Moose organization sued for an injunctive writ to restrain them, as well as Mayor Hylan, Police Commissioner Richard E. Enright and Commissioner of Public Welfare Bird S. Coler, from interfering and enjoining the operation of the bazaar. The police officials objected to the gambling features of the bazaar.

Philip T. Dalsimer petitioned Justice Mitchell May in the Kings County Supreme Court for an injunction which is returnable Sept.

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OVER 500 VISITING PLACES ON LONDON'S RESORT LIST

Where to Go Daily—Other and Unknown Places—Syndicate Offers to Buy Elizabeth Castle for Casino. Sylvester's Tent Show Having Good Season

London, Aug. 21.

For the benefit of pleasure-seeking visitors, the London Association has compiled a list of attractions which show that the metropolis can offer a choice of the following: 8 art galleries, 13 museums, 420 kinemas, 19 parks, public gardens, and open spaces.

Of these, 16 have bands and six concerts and dancing. Thirty-five daily excursions to the upper reaches of the Thames, three lines of steamers plying on the Thames, three cricket grounds of world fame, 197 motor bus routes, some going far afield, 28 whole day and 20 half-day motor charabanc tours to the coast and historic country places.

There are also many other attractions that such an august body as the London Association does not officially know about.

A syndicate has applied to the Jersey States Council (Channel Islands) with a view to buy the historic Elizabeth Castle and run it as a Casino surrounded by outdoor amusements. If the offer is accepted it will bring in enough to supply the state with all it wants. There is no taxation in Jersey or other Channel Islands. The would-be purchasers have been asked for further details of the scheme.

Sylvester's tenting show is having a good season on the East Coast. The show itself is of the good old-fashioned kind, and is excellent. More than usual care is paid to lighting, and the band is one of the best heard with a "big top." They render the traditional "sawdust ring" music with all the time-honored punch and can also play more classical numbers. The program is a good and long one. The acts include the Victoria Troupe of Acrobatic Cyclists, Le Brun and Hector, pot-pourri act, The Two Bells on revolving ladders, Carlo Bianchi, foot equilibrist, Menotti, a clever wire artist, Bonita, a crack shot who gives a sensational display of markmanship, and James Powell, jockey act. The clowns are excellent. The show takes place in the ring and on a stage, both of which are practically always occupied.

There is one van-dweller wander-

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$35,000 SIGN LEASE

Gude Takes Front of Claridge for Display

The entire Broadway frontage of the Hotel Claridge is being covered to the depth between the second and third stories with an electric sign. O. J. Gude, outdoor advertising promoters, have leased the space from the hotel, run by Edward Arlington, at an annual rental of $35,000.

In order to secure the building front the promoter leased the office floor along the Times square side which is offered for sub-lease at $15,000. Rental for the sign has not been fixed. It is 20 feet by 150.

RAIN INSURANCE SUIT

White Sox Obliged to Sue Eagle Star Co.

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Suit for $10,000 on account of rain was filed in the United States District Court here by the White Sox baseball team against the Eagle Star and British Dominion Insurance Co., on the ground the ball club was insured against rain for $18,750.

The policy, according to the bill filed, provided in the event that over 1-100ths of an inch of rain fell between noon and five o'clock of a playing day the company would reimburse the club for losses when the club's expenses exceeded the gross income of the day.

The complaint charges that more than this amount of rain fell when the White Sox were scheduled to play in New York April 15.

The company refused to pay on the claim that the smaller number of spectators was not due to the rain.

ITALIAN CIRCUS FIRST TIME IN N. Y.

Sailing from Egypt Sept. 2—Eight Years' Tour

London, Aug. 30.

The Royal Italian Circus, on an eight years' tour of the world, having visited every country except the United States, sails from Alexandria, Egypt, Sept. 2, for New York, where it is intended to play in theatres and tents, a route being laid out by Gordon Bostock, who sailed from London on the "Franconia" Aug. 18.

On Road Since '63

This circus started on its world tour from England about eight years ago and has played continuously since it was founded by Volpin Brothers in Italy in 1863.

K. K. K. DAY OR NIGHT ASKED AT FAIRS

Night Given at Frankfort, Ind.—Refused at Columbus

Chicago, Aug. 30.

There seems to be an organized effort on the part of the Ku Klux Klan to arrange for one day or night at important fairs which are designated as "Ku Klux Klan Day" or "Ku Klux Klan Night. At the Clinton County Fair, at Frankfort, Ind., a night was set aside for the hooded brethren.

DAY AND DATE RIVAL RODEOS; TEX AUSTIN'S VS. RINGLING-RICKARD'S

Promoter of Stadium's Success Says He'll Open Another Rodeo 1,500 Miles Away on Same Day Rodeo Starts at Madison Sq. Garden in November

John Ringling and Tex Rickard have announced their intention of running a Rodeo at Madison Square Garden in November. The story names Dick Ringling as the moving spirit of the exhibition. Dick is reported out West looking up and booking talent for the occasion.

Around the Yankee Stadium, where Tex Austin ran a similar show last week, many of the feature riders and bulldoggers were approached by people representing themselves as agents of the Rickard-Ringling combination, with offers for their services at Madison Square Garden in November. This reached the ears of Austin, who said to a Clipper reporter: "If they (Rickard and Ringling) want to go into the Rodeo game they have as much right as any one else, but shouldn't try to buy another showman's talent.

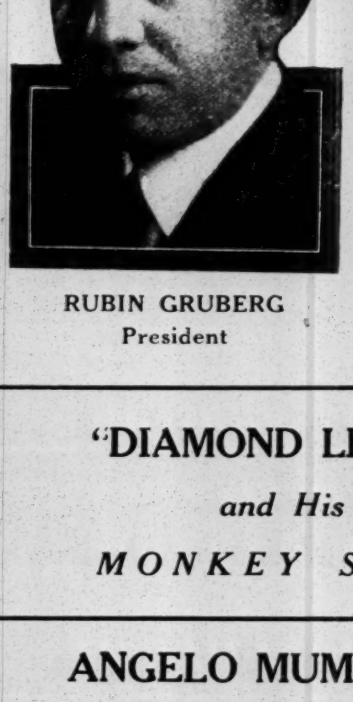
"They have been trying to get some of my stars, and just for that, although I intended to take a long vacation, I have changed my plans, and on the same day and date that Rickard, et al., give their Madison Square show I shall put on a Rodeo 1,500 miles nearer home, and these boys and girls will be there with me, not at Madison Square. Not only these, but also the best cowboys and cowgirls not here right now.

"I would like to be here, if I could, just to see the Rodeo Rickard and his pals will offer the New York public.

"No, I won't say where I shall put on the Rodeo, for obvious reasons, but you can gamble it will be a good show.

"I wish you would also say for me that I am sincerely grateful for the support we have received from New Yorkers, which has made this Rodeo a success from every angle. I will be back next year with a much bigger show to prove my grateful appreciation."

Some of the Feature Attractions This Season with



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CONCESSION SUPPLY HOUSES COMPLAINING OVER BUSINESS

Not Up to Average—Less Legitimate Operating Wheels Accountable—Public Want Wheels

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Concession supply houses are complaining about business this year. Just now, when trade should be at its height, some say it is not up to the average and others claim it is away below.

From several sources the lack of business is attributed to the difficulties existing in operating the legitimate merchandise wheel.

In many instances, the supply men state, concessionaires have to change their wheels to some "science and skill" device or grind stores, and the output is limited.

No matter how fair a game of skill may be, the public will not waste much time on it. No matter how attractive a grind store may be "flashed," even if it gets a steady play all day long and there is plenty of merchandise distributed, the output is slow compared with the wheel.

Merchandise Wheels Fairest

That merchandise wheels are the fairest and most popular form of games is undisputed. Even police and county officials where they are barred admit as much. With a fairly operated wheel, and the real carnival business operates no other kind, people get a quid pro quo for their money and the element of chance is alluring. If it is gambling, as is claimed by would-be reformers, it is that harmless kind, and its opponents on these grounds would "kick" at a game of "Old Maid" or tiddlywinks.

There is no angle of the concession game that wants ironing out more than this particular difficulty in some quarters. The supply houses and concessionaires may get together to find some remedy, if possible, and open up the wheels that are run on a strictly legitimate and merchandise basis.

The public wants them—and what the public wants it generally gets in most cases.

SO. AMERICAN EAST COAST SHOWLESS

Chances for Carnivals Reported Favorable in Several Countries

Recent arrivals from South America report there is practically nothing in the way of outdoor amusements on the east coast. A South American recently arriving believes a well-organized carnival could make money through Brazil, Argentine and other South American countries.

This man claims, unlike the Latin countries further to the north, many of these South American countries have a distinct middle class, who would patronize shows of this kind and be in a position to spend real money. Transportation and harbor facilities are also good, and the cost of moving a show is not excessive.

RINGLING-BARNUM SHOW MAKES RADICAL SHIFT IN ITS ROUTE

Makes Long Jump Out of California Into Utah Instead of Following Usual Course Into Southwest Toward Texas—Plays Colorado and Missouri

The Ringling Brothers-Barnum-Bailey show is making radical changes in its route coming out of California at the beginning of the long trip east. Instead of the customary line of march via Phoenix and Douglass, Ariz., into El Paso and thence New Mexico, back into Texas territory, the show will make a long jump in the middle of the week from southern California into Utah, thereafter playing Nebraska and Missouri spots until Oct. 1. Whether it will get into Texas this season does not appear in the reports.

By Oct. 1 last year the show had played all its Texas and southwestern time and was moving up into Louisiana, doubling back later into eastern Texas for a few dates before the start north.

Last year's route involved terrific rail mileage. In the ten stands from Santa Ana, Cal., to Fort Worth, Tex., the average amount was 210 miles and the total for the ten days was 1,949 miles. From Santa Ana to Phoenix was a Sunday movement of 523 miles and from Albuquerque, N. M., to Amarillo, Tex., the following Sunday there was a jump of 374 miles.

Young Revue Fair Feature

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 30.

Ernie Young's Marigold Garden Follies is the special attraction at Riverview Park for fair week.

LIGHT HORSE BREEDING ALARMINGLY DECLINED, SAYS WAR DEPARTMENT

Good Riding Horses in Numbers Unavailable for Military or Commercial Purposes—Report Issued by Remount Service—"Powerful Combinations Whose Interests Are Inimical to Those of the Horse," Report Declares

Variety-Clipper Bureau,
Evans Bldg., Washington,
August 30.

The passing of the riding horse is taking on official notice from the War Department and causing no end of concern among the officials as well as the officers of the nation's protective body. A report gotten out by the remount service of the army and the American Remount Association, says that breeding of light horses has decreased, for one reason or other, to such an extent that riding horses of good breeding, type and conformation are exceedingly scarce. They add that at this time it is almost impossible to obtain in any numbers for either military or commercial purposes good riding horses.

"To those persons who had given the growing scarcity of riding horses any serious thought," goes on the report, "this situation became painfully apparent more than a fourth of a century ago. The world war, with its immense toll of horseflesh, and the difficulty experienced in securing riding horses of even a mediocre type, brought hometully the seriousness of the situation and crystallized sentiment for an effectual remedy. In fact, it was not until the early part of 1919 that steps of any importance were taken by the government to meet the acute shortage in riding horses.

Encouraging Prospects

"The results thus far obtained are therefore exceedingly encouraging. It is certain that if the remount breeding operations so auspiciously begun are continued without interruption there will soon be in the country a considerable number of excellent half-bred horses which, when placed on the market, will command exceedingly good prices and will do much to meet the ever-growing demand for horses for the farm, for cow horses, for hunters and for polo ponies."

It is felt that there are interests fighting against the horse to such an extent as to bring about legislation detrimental to the further development of the riding animal. In this regard the report says: "There are powerful combinations whose interests are inimical to those of the horse, and which at times foster legislation that spells disaster for all horse-breeding activities."

Horse Lovers' Aid Needed

There must be a concerted effort on the part of horse lovers of the nation to fight against the final disappearance of the horse, and an appeal is made in the closing paragraphs of the report of the Army Remount Service and the American Remount Association in which it is hoped that all those interested "take an active part in all health horse activities, and to protect the industry of the nation from unjust and adverse attacks."

Litsinger Talked Of For U. S. Senator

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Edward Litsinger, who made a strong race for Mayor of Chicago against Arthur Leuders in the Republican primary, is said to be being groomed by his friends for the Republican nomination for the United States Senate to succeed Medill McCormick.

The announcement is of great interest to show folk, as Litsinger would be a distinct asset for showdom in such a position.

With no organization in the campaign against Leuder, Litsinger developed a strength which the politicians say was "marvelous."

CHI. STUDIES N. Y. METHODS

Amusement Device Inspector Looks Over Regulations in Gotham

Frank Gaynor, chief inspector of elevators in Chicago, under whose supervision come all amusement rides and devices, spent last week in New York, going over local parks and examining the methods employed by the New York authorities in regulating safety.

Mr. Gaynor also made a study of building specifications in the office of Miller & Baker, architects of amusement buildings and devices.

VAUGHAN HURT

Former Editor of Clipper Cut Himself

Walter Vaughan, theatrical newspaper man, accidentally cut his throat yesterday (Thursday) while shaving, it is reported. The accident occurred at 3 p. m. He was removed to Reconstruction Hospital, 100th street and Central Park West, in the afternoon. Dr. De Revere treated Vaughan for the wound. He will leave the hospital within a few days.

Vaughan was formerly editor of Clipper, holding the post from 1916 until last month, when Clipper passed to its present direction. He is 49 years old.

CLAMPING DOWN THE LID IN AKRON

Blue Law Agitators Start Action Against Sunday Dancing

Akron, O., Aug. 30.

It will not be necessary for the City Council to pass any further legislation to put a stop to commercialized Sunday dancing and Sunday fireworks displays in Akron if the city administration is sincere in its desire to stop these practices, according to Kyle Ross, chairman of the social service committee of the City Council.

Councilman Ross' statement followed the receipt by the City Council clerk this week of petitions from several Akron churches asking that Sunday dancing and Sunday fireworks demonstrations be stopped.

The existing city laws give the city safety director power to revoke the licenses of dance halls, and the fireworks displays are entirely under the control of the social service committee. Ross can refuse permits for Sunday fireworks demonstrations without any action on the part of the City Council.

Several parks in and around Akron have had dancing Sundays, and many have been offering Sunday fireworks.

Miss De Leath's Request Night

(Miss) Vaughn De Leath, who conducts the WDT broadcasting station, will introduce a novel "request night" Monday, from 11 to midnight. The Ten Pin Orchestra, Anna Vincent, Helen Mohr, Jimmy Clark and Miss DeLeath will broadcast the numbers requested by mail or phone.

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BIG TOPS WELL SCATTERED FOR LABOR DAY WEEK

Ringling Show Leaving California for Utah—Sells-Floto Cancels Railroad Contracts, Suggesting Change of Route—Sparks Plays Baraboo, Wis., Ringling Headquarters

LABOR DAY

Ringling Brothers at San Jose, Cal.

Sells-Floto at Freeport, Ill.

Hagenbeck-Wallace at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

John Robinson at Piqua, Ohio.

Walter L. Main at Connersville, Ind.

Al G. Barnes at Richmond, Ind.

Sparks at Galesburg, Ill.

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The major circus enterprises will be far distant from each other for Labor Day with the exception of five shows which happen to have that holiday in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. There will be no two important shows in the same State excepting Al G. Barnes and Walter L. Main, which will both be in Indiana and possibly twenty-five miles apart.

The Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey circus is in California and will be in that State until Sept. 18, after which it loses a day traveling from San Bernardino to Provo, Utah. The show will be in Denver Monday, Sept. 24, and in Kansas City the following Monday. The Ringling Brothers will play a little town of 1,400 in Louisiana, called De Ridder, on Oct. 17, which is believed to be the record for a big show in a small town. Windsor Junction, in Vermont, used to be a Barnum & Bailey small place, but DeRidder is smaller yet.

The Sells-Floto circus is rounding out its first week in Illinois since leaving the Coliseum in Chicago in the spring and will be at Aurora tomorrow and at Elgin Saturday. It plays three days of next week in Illinois and then goes into Missouri the middle of next month. Some railroad contracts made for Missouri have been cancelled, indicating a change of route. The Sells-Floto show will make eighteen towns in Texas later and it is believed that it will encounter no opposition in any of these places.

The Hagenbeck-Wallace circus is at Grand Island, Neb., today, going into Iowa next week for its Labor Day stand, then into Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Next week the circus will exhibit in four States and only two days in succession in one State. The H.-W. circus will have the eastern half of Texas practically alone, although it will be followed in sixteen days by Sells-Floto in four towns.

The John Robinson Circus is at Kalamazoo, Mich., to-day, and concludes its tour of that State tomorrow at Sturgis. It moves to Louisville, Ky., by easy jumps, for the Kentucky State Fair, Sept. 10-15, jumping to that point from Bloomington, Ind., and goes from Louisville to Knoxville, Tenn; Morristown; Johnson City; Bristol; Asheville, N. C; Spartanburg, S. C.; Greenville; Anderson; Athens, Ga.; Augusta; Columbus; Rock Hill; Charlotte, N. C.; Salisbury; High Point; Durham, and to Raleigh. The railroad after Louisville will be on the Southern Railroad and this series of jumps will cost $9,403.

The Sparks show made Baraboo, Wis., home of the Ringlings, this week, and will be at Alton, Ill., Sept. 6, Granite City, 7, and East St. Louis, 8, spending $818 with the Big Four Railroad for these three moves.

The Walter L. Main show is in Indiana and moves from Newcastle, to Greensburg, to Columbus, to Shelbyville, and to Lawrenceburg for $1,561 on the Big Four railroad next week.

The Golden Brothers shows are in Kentucky this week and concluded several rides on the Louisville and Nashville at Lebanon, for which $1,807 50 was the cost.

The Gentry-Patterson Circus is to play Hoppston, Gibson City and Paxton, Ill., in advance of the Tippecanoe County Fair at Lafayette, Ind., week after next.

The Al G. Barnes Circus is making Indiana points and will go into Illinois shortly, playing Talerville, Sept. 12. That show will make western Texas later without opposition.

WASH.'S BEAUTY ENTRY HAVING GOOD TIME

Received by President—On Way to Atlantic City

Washington, Aug. 29.

Washington's third entry for the national beauty pageant in Atlantic City will be Lorraine Bunch, a 15-year-old miss, who might be termed a "dark horse" and who is having a fine time of it here. She has been received by President and Mrs. Coolidge, who both wished her success in gaining the title of "Miss America" when she gets to Atlantic City.

Margaret Gorman, the Miss Washington of two summers ago, won the greater test in Atlantic City at that time, while Miss Lewis, the Washington beauty for last year, came through with honorable mention.

Harrisburg After Chautauqua

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 30.

A sufficient number of guarantees having been obtained, Harrisburg will have another Chautauqua next year.

This year's Chautauqua, just closed, was the first to be held in the city. It was under the direction of the Swarthmore Association.

BASEBALL BY ELECTRIC LIGHT ANOTHER PROBLEM FOR THEATRES

General Electric Co. at West Lynne, Mass., Successfully Tries It—100 Flood Lights Satisfied Players and Spectators — Opens Up New Evening Amusement

West Lynn, Mass., Aug. 30.

Baseball at night has at last become a reality. At the new athletic field of the General Electric Company employes played a baseball game successfully, under a system of more than 100 flood lights installed by the illuminating engineers connected with and by the company, thus opening a new field of evening amusement.

Both spectators and players declare the experiment a success. The ball was plainly discernible at all times and no difficulty was experienced by batters or fielders.

It is planned to feature it at the park for the remainder of the summer. Many of the theatre managers are wondering what the outcome will be in so far as their evening business is concerned.

SITE FOR COUNTY PARK

320 Acres at Croton, N. Y., for $360,000

White Plains, N. Y., Aug. 30.

The Westchester County Park Commission has purchased 320 acres of land at Croton Point, N. Y., to be used as a county park. The reported price is $360,000.

The move will prevent the taking over of the property by Harlem Negroes headed by Robert W. Justice, who is said to have wanted the land to develop an enormous summer hotel for colored folks. He planned to build a pier at Croton Point where boats could discharge passengers. Schoolhouses, dancing pavilions, bathhouses and other amusements were to be built to attract Negroes from all over the United States at vacation time.

The Westchester Supervisors will appropriate $2,000,000 to the Park Commission to outline its plan of establishing a great system of parks and parkways to be linked with the Bronx River Parkway system.

Coughey-O'Brien Marriage

Winnipeg, Can., Aug. 30.

Russell Coughey, of Calais, Me., and Dolly O'Brien, of Boston, both with the Johnny J. Jones show, were married while in Canada.

LIPTON'S NEXT YACHT RACE TO BE IN '25

Sir Thomas Will Send Another Challenge

London, Aug. 30.

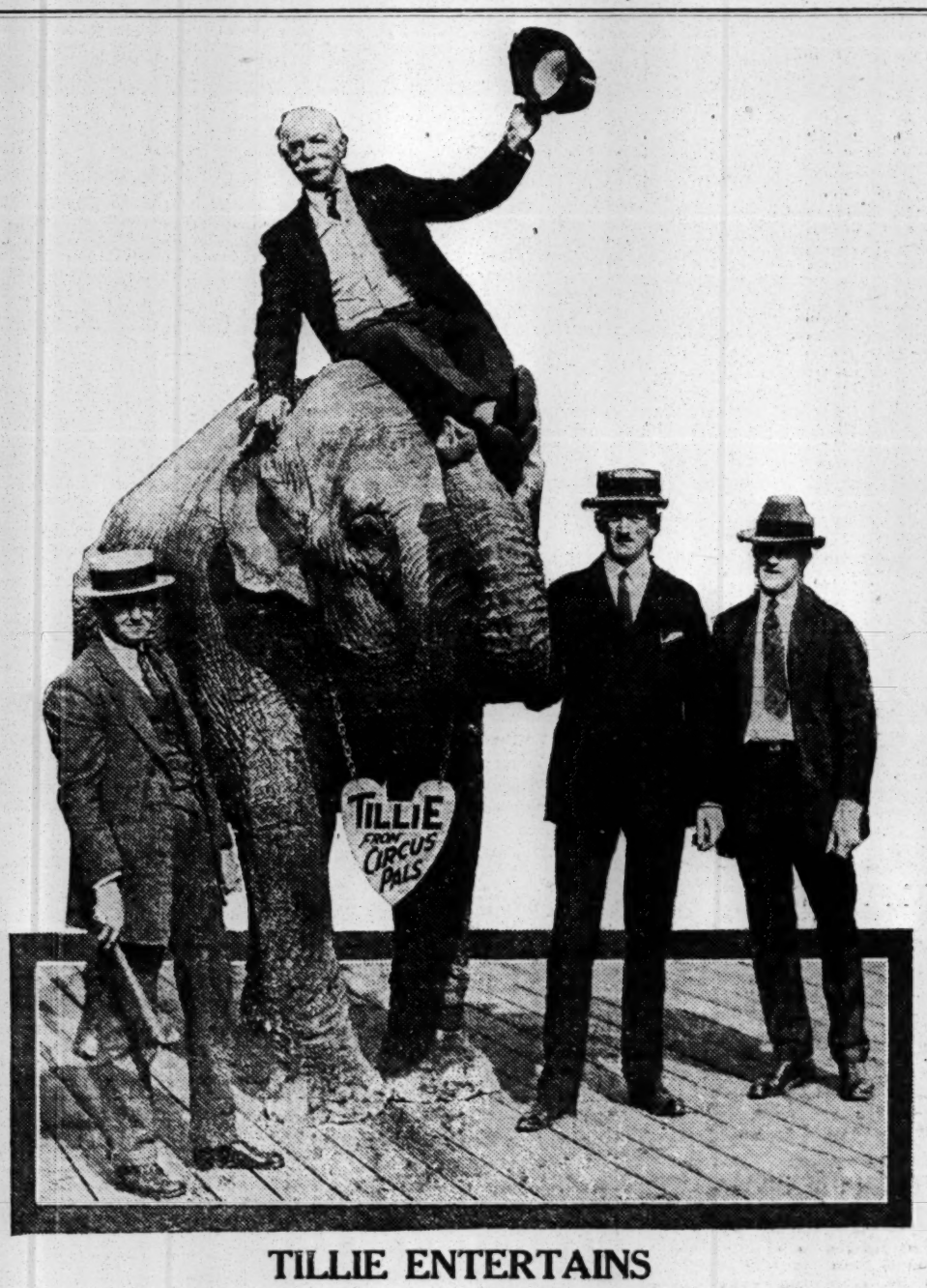
Sir Thomas Lipton has decided to send another challenge to America for the yacht race of 1925.

This will be his fifth attempt to win the America Cup. He says it is a great pity that the cup should remain in the United States now that they have nothing to fill it with.

Moberly, Mo., License, $500

Moberly, Mo., Aug. 30.

A license fee of $500 was set at this week's meeting of the county court with a view to keeping such organizations out. There was a division of sentiment among people heard before a decision was reached, but the majority seemed to favor keeping out carnivals. There was a motion to put a prohibitive tax on tent shows, but it did not pass.



TILLIE ENTERTAINS

The wise old elephant of the Johnny Robinson act at Luna Park, Coney Island, assumes a natural pose as the photographer calls "camera." Perched on Tillie's crown is Pete Conklin, dean of the Island announcers. On the ground, from left to right, Tillie's little companions are: Wells Hawkes, publicity hound; Herbert Evans, Luna director, and "Curley" Noonan, trainer of the Robinson bulls.

CREDITORS OF PAGEANT TO BE PAID

Committee Appointed to Meet Deficit—Shows to Be Presented to Raise Funds

Denver, Aug. 30.

As a means of raising the $44,000 deficit of the recent Pageant of Progress show, given under the auspices of the city of Denver and various civic organizations, it is seriously proposed to give some more shows, it developed at a meeting of creditors last week.

The total liabilities of the venture total $56,000, with about $11,000 worth of assets in the way of lumber and other salvage.

A committee appointed by the creditors recently, proposes to abandon Overland park structures to lien holders, to pay out other assets to certain preferred labor creditors, and to attempt to stage other shows to "recoup the deficit of $44,000 now existing."

A special committee was named, to devise methods of raising a part or all of the deficit by "further activities." This committee consists of Ray Humphreys, a newspaper writer, chairman; Robert M. Hauser, J. L. Forman, Frank Newhouse and Oran V. Stiller. It was announced that suggestions on money raising entertainments will be received and considered by this committee.

Concessionaire Held On Assault Charge

Flint, Mich., Aug. 30.

Herman Becker, concessioner at Flint Park, and also owner of Liberty Park, at Battle Creek, is being held charged with assaulting his wife. He is alleged to have slashed her many times with a razor.

Becker's hands are said to have been badly lacerated by the same implement, he alleging in his defense his wife was attempting suicide when he interfered.

Domestic infelicity is alleged to have been the cause of the trouble.

"Proper Amusement"

Bellaire, O., Aug. 30.

"Concessions which will provide proper amusement for all who attend" is the policy agreed upon for the fall festival after a lot of discussion. It is understood that the ruling means that nothing having the slightest degree of a gambling tinge will be permitted.

DANCING TEAMS BELIEVED FAIR FEATURE

Better Known Professionals to Be Employed as Attractions

Negotiations are pending with several of the better known dancing teams throughout the country, to make a tour of the fairs and engage in a series of exhibition dances, to be followed by dance contests in which the local talent will take part.

When the Valentinos made their tour of the country it was found that in almost every town there was a keen interest in dancing and that in most cases there were several couples nearly of professional caliber.

The fair associations, seeing the drawing card that contests of this kind would be, have made provision for them as part of the regular program, the professional teams merely being engaged as a flash to provide an incentive and give the locals something to shoot at.

COMMUNITY FAIR SINGS

Proved Success in Toronto and Is to Be Tried Generally

Community singing is being developed for fairs, and where tried has proven an inexpensive and satisfactory feature. The first to use the "sings" was the Toronto Exposition, where the idea developed after the war and has been retained annually. In Toronto the "sings" are spotted in the interlude between the evening vaudeville show and the fireworks display.

This season several American fairs are introducing the "sings," though it is practical to conduct the warbling only at night. Slides of popular choruses are used with an ordinary projection machine, with the band playing the melodies. Most of the tunes are so familiar that only piano copies of the newer are necessary, the other musicians easily following.

It is expected the "sings" will be generally exploited in fairs next season. Showmen say the stunt is not only sure-fire, but audiences are wooed into good humor.

The improvement of morale was the prime reason for the development of "sings" during the war.

OVERSIGHT GETS PARK IN FINANCIAL TROUBLE

Management Failed to Tax Concessions and Was Charged for All

Flint, Mich., Aug. 1.

The Flint Park Amusement Co., said to have the largest investment of any park here, experienced difficulty when it came time to pay taxes this year.

Through an oversight it had failed to take up the matter of the taxing of concessions with the Board of Review, and the entire tax for all concessions as well as the property of the park company was assessed against it.

The matter was finally adjusted on the basis that the park concern would pay the tax and charge the concessionaires for their shares, as determined by the city assessor.

Water Parade at Night

Angeles, Aug. 30.

Balboa Beach will hold a tournament at night which will include a "Water Parade" of five classes of craft, yachts, floats, canoes, rowboats and motorboats, illuminated and decorated. Prizes are offered for each class.

1,500 REGULAR FAIRS OF TREMENDOUS INFLUENCE ALL OVER THIS COUNTRY

No Greater Educational Factor Exists—Countryside Waking Up to Great Value of Local Fair to Farmer, Merchant and Manufacturer—But Public Must Be Amused and Entertainment Is Essential — Observant Fair Secretaries Usually Progressive

By DICK COLLINS

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Probably no greater educational factor now exists in the country than the state, district and county fairs, distributed over its entire area and extending from coast to coast, from northern Canada to Florida.

There are upward of at least 1,500 regularly constituted and organized fair associations, ranging from the big expositions and state fairs to the small county gatherings that interest the surrounding county.

The smaller event is of just as much importance locally, and better attended proportionately, as the event sponsored by the State Agricultural Society.

Improvement This Year

This year reports from all sections of the country where fairs have been held thus far, show an appreciable improvement and a consistent growing interest in their activities. In some cases this has been the record year, as at the Central States Exposition, Aurora, Ill. The Free Fair at Ionia, Mich., and, it is believed, but for inclement weather would have been at several of the Canadian exhibitions. Reports from all over are optimistic toward fairs, yet to be held. In the agricultural districts are concerned, exhibits and stock features will be plentiful.

Value of Local Fair

The farmer, manufacturer and merchant are waking up to the value of his local fair as a common meeting place where matters of interest to the community can be discussed, demonstrated and inspired. The fair can be made the chamber of commerce for the agriculturist and the board of trade for the merchant and manufacturer, an asset of incomparable value to all.

Provide Suitable Entertainment

What has made the fair so universally popular? This question, in addition to the one asked by some: How can I make my fair more popular?—has been a vital subject for discussion at more than one national and state convention.

The consensus of opinion, from men versed in fair management and qualified to know, is short and emphatic:

"Provide suitable entertainment with your educational features."

Some fair managements favor horse racing; some are against it. Some are for carnival organizations and some antagonistic. Arguments pro and con on these subjects are for individuals.

The demonstrable fact remains that statistics and receipts prove that those fairs giving the most attention to their amusement programs, which have provided entertainment of the more costly and pretentious type have risen rapidly in the scale of attendance and gate receipts.

Progressive Tactics

Progressive tactics have proven successful in every other line of the amusement business. Theatregoers are satisfied with nothing but the best. To make vaudeville a success, it must be top-notch. Motion pictures of a decade ago are impossible as box office attractions today. So with the fairs.

The great state fairs at Minnesota, Texas, Michigan, Iowa, together with the interstate fair at Sioux City, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Massachusetts, Kansas, Oklahoma, New Jersey, Indiana, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi, the Central States Exposition at Aurora and others, together with the five big exhibitions at Calgary, Edmonton, Brandon, Regina and Saskatoon, all spend thousands in getting the best aggregation of talent possible for their grand stand shows, pageants or fireworks displays for their night features. A conservative estimate gives the amount spent this year in excess of former years, at over $50,000. At all of these fairs the management have had, or are going to have, high class carnivals or similar attractions and riding devices.

Big Outdoor Shows

The grandstand or coliseum shows produced at the major fairs today cannot be seen at any vaudeville house in the country, for there is no circuit in America that can afford the pay roll of one of these fair combinations and expect to come out on the right side. The fair patron sees in the matjority of cases at the state fair for less money, acts and attractions that he would have to make a tour of the vaudeville theatres of Chicago to witness in its entirety, and this in addition to marvelous pageants in fireworks in which hundreds of people take part.

Midway Will Live

As a component part of the fair, the midway will live forever. The public want this class of entertainment. The so-called "games of chance," i. e., the paddle wheels for legitimate merchandise are among the most popular forms of amusement tendered fair patrons. The observing fair secretary knows this, and altogether with other concessions where patrons are not swindled by catch-penny devices and sure-thing gambling, endeavors to give them to the public to spite carping criticism from would-be reformers and zealous bigots, which unfortunately exists in some communities.

On the subject of concessions Clipper is no critic. The fair men know what they want, and the wise concessionaire is he who "hews to the line" of public approval, and runs his business along business lines in his own way.

Public Must Also Be Amused

It has been proven without the shadow of a doubt that, take amusement features away from a fair or from any similar outdoor celebration, and no matter how pretentious, how beautiful the aspect and buildings, no matter how well exploited, it will result in the diminishing of interest and the resultant failure of the enterprise.

The public must be amused as well as educated. Greater effort in providing suitable entertainment has invariably led to greater attendance and corresponding financial results. The fairs are growing true—their alliance with amusement interests is growing too.

CHARITY BAZAAR

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11, three days after the carnival would have ceased its operations.

Because of this, Commissioner Coler states that he will advise Corporation Counsel Nicholson to take some action. If the police can be temporarily restrained throughout the running of a charity bazaar where the gambling ordinance is being allegedly violated, the law is nullified, according to the welfare commissioner. Even if they prove their contention on the injunction the purpose will have been accomplished.

Bazaar on Private Grounds

Dalsimer, who is a member and treasurer of the Moose lodge of Far Rockaway, secured his injunction Monday on the ground that the bazaar is being conducted on private grounds on Grove street, Far Rockaway, and is for charitable purposes.

The merits in this case differ from the Justice Carswell decision in favor of the city officials in the case of the St. Malachi's Hospital, Far Rockaway. There the city was actually involved because it contributed to the maintenance of children's charity wards.

Oldest Fair This Week

Kansas City, Aug. 30.

The Platte County, Missouri, fair, claimed to be the oldest county fair in the United States, is in full swing this week. It is the sixtieth consecutive annual fair for the association. A Homecoming Day and a horse show are heavily featured events.

TENT CITY AT CORONADO, CAL., GOT GOOD BUSINESS ALL SUMMER

Closing September 10—Number of Tents to Be Increased for Next Season—Concessionaires Have Had Their Share

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 30.

With splendid weather throughout the summer, and the largest crowds in the history of the resort, Coronado Tent City, across the bay from San Diego, has enjoyed a successful season with prospects of good business continuing until the resort closes Sept. 10.

Concession men have reaped their share of profits, the various amusement booths that line the band pavilion enclosure, and the boardwalk having been given good play by the visitors.

Dances on the big pavilion on the bay front, have been well attended, and the Sunday crowds have surpassed all previous records, a high mark having been set on Aug. 5, when more than 26,000 visited the Coronado amusement resort. Unique features have been provided each Sunday by the Spreckels interests, operating Tent City, the most thrilling of which have been the exhibitions of diving 150 feet into the bay from a swiftly moving airplane by Ben Thrash of the Fleet Air squadrons at North Island.

Many swimming events of state and national importance have been staged on the splendid bay course, and thousands have been attracted by the programs of the Tent City orchestra.

Tents to be Increased

The number of people occupying tents has been higher this season than at any time in the history of the amusement park and the management already is making plans to increase the number of tent houses for next year. Although the season practically will end on Labor Day, when the orchestral concerts will be discontinued, Tent City will remain open to visitors until Sept. 10 to take advantage of the crowds expected in San Diego on that date to view the sun's eclipse.

Billy Sunday Starts Again

Niagara Falls, Aug. 30.

Billy Sunday will start a new evangelistic campaign here next month. He will follow immediately after a blue law movement which has been in progress locally for some time.

COLORED ELKS STAGE KLAN SATIRE

Chicago Convention Is Amused by Burlesque Pageant on Ogden Field

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The I. B. P. O. E. is burlesquing the K. K. K.

In other words, these mystic symbols mean that the Colored Elks of Chicago, here in convention assembled, are burlesquing the Ku Klux Klan, and getting away with it.

The colored brethren contend the mysterious hieroglyphics that made such a mess at Belschazzar's feast are meant for the Klan, and they have named their production "The Fall of the Klan."

On Ogden field, sponsored by the best known local colored politicians, aldermen, clerics and associations, the display is given amid scenic settings that cover 1,000 feet of space.

Incidents appertaining to the rise of the colored people in importance and influence are depicted, and a scene showing the rescue of Theodore Roosevelt at San Juan Hill by colored troopers is among the many tableaux.

Colored acts are interspersed in old-time plantation numbers, cakewalks and dances, and several bands are present. For novelty, it is one of the "hits" of south side Chicago.

There are thousands of colored Elks here from all parts of the country, and they are taking back with them some new ideas of entertainment in Chicago.

The show is full of comedy and is staged with good scenery, making quite an impressive showing, and employing a large number of actors and using many entertainment features.

NEW HAMPSHIRE'S 300TH BIRTHDAY

Pageants Held in Cities Throughout the State—Portsmouth Holds Fair

Manchester, N. H., Aug. 30.

Celebration of the 300th anniversary of the settlement of what is now New Hampshire has just closed with tercentenary programs in several cities. Pageants featured three large celebrations, those at Portsmouth, Dover and Milford. At Portsmouth the celebration took on the aspect of a huge fair, with midway and other attractions.

Virginia Tanner directed the historical pageant at Portsmouth, which included over 1,000 persons. At Dover a cast of 300 presented an elaborate pageant, and about the same number participated in the production at Milford.

It was estimated 50,000 guests saw the pageant and other attractions at Portsmouth. The celebration lasted from Aug. 20-24, as did that at Dover. Fireworks were a nightly feature at each place. At Dover on Tuesday, Aug. 21, the "big day" there, 25,000 persons attended the evening fireworks display. At both places the pageants were given daily.

Milford's pageant was produced only on Aug. 23, directed by Lyle Wilson.

The tercentenary celebrations, coming in what is always observed in New Hampshire with festivities, Old Home Week, brought thousands of visitors into the state and attractions were benefitted.

Fritzi Scheff's Fashion Shows

Fritzi Scheff will be the feature of two fashion shows next month. The first will be at the Auditorium, Milwaukee, Sept. 8-15, and the second at the Auditorium, Cleveland, Sept. 21-29.

Miss Scheff will appear at each display singing four songs and displaying different gowns at each showing. The engagement was procured by William Morris, Inc.

MASS. DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS STARTS BILLBOARD INQUIRY

Meeting Held Last Week Attended by Factions for and Against Restriction — Representatives From Entire State Present

Boston, Aug. 30.

The views of those who are in favor of restriction and the proposed amended regulations of the State Department of Public Works for the control of billboards and other outdoor advertising were discussed last week at a meeting held at the State House. The hearing was adjourned after a session which lasted several hours until next Wednesday, when the side of the billboard interests will be presented.

Close to 150 men and women were in attendance at the meeting. It was proposed to have both sides heard the same day, but the number of speakers for and against the regulations made this impossible.

Letters were read from Mayor Peter F. Sullivan of Worcester, who said he thought that to prohibit billboards would deprive many worthy citizens of honest employment, and from Mayor Charles A. Power of Pittsfield, who said there was a difference of opinion in his city, but he believed that if cetrain boards were permitted competing billboards should not be denied the same privileges. Another letter was that of Francis H. Perry, chairman of the Selectmen of Brewster, stating that the town is opposed to billboards because theey destroy the beauties of the landscape.

Represented 60 Towns

Horace B. Gale of Natick, president of the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards, said the board represented 60 towns and cities in various parts of the state, comprising more than three-fourths of the state population. He said those that are interested in the matter, except a few who have selfish interests a heart, believe that billboards of the present size are generally offensive.

He said he was in favor of amending the regulations to restrict the size of the boards to four feet in height and eight feet in length.

Alfred D. Paul of Watertown declared in his town the boards have become a nuisance in many ways, and Mayor Harry T. Beale of Waltham indorsed the views of Paul. A. L. Green of Duxbury stated that although the people of his town were against the whole billboard proposition they would accept Mr. Gale's recommendation for a size limit.

Dr. Antoinette Noble of Westfield asked that Westfield be included in the restricted areas outlined by the division and declared that while the coloring of the boards was offensive the advertisements also mislead many persons.

Albert S. Flint of Wayland, member of the special committee on billboard, said that it would not meet public sentiment to have the boards 12 by 25 feet, and claimed that large boards were offensive to the public and advertisers who insisted on using them created a hostile attitude among the public.

Voters Favor Abolishment

Ralph S. Bauer of the Lynn Chamber of Commerce declared that if the question of eliminating billboards were placed before the voters at the next State election, there would be an overwhelming vote in favor of abolishing all such outdoor signs. He said the feeling in his district was especially strong.

Edward J. Stacey, general secretary of the Massachusetts Chamber of Commerce, said he represented about 100 organizations of 25,000 or 35,000 business men and said the small dealer not engaged regularly in the billboard business should not be required to secure permits.

Commissioner Williams said the purpose of the regulations is the result of circus billboards being distributed throughout the southeastern section of the State.

Hoboken, N. J., is closed to carnivals. This action was taken last week by the Chief of Police when a company went there and attempted to get a permit to show. The chief informed the show owners that he had a lot of trouble during the past few months with companies that had played in and around the outskirts of the city and that orders which he had given them were not changed.

PARK A BLOOMER, BEACH SUCCESS

New Interests May Take It Next Season — Park in Oklahoma Draws From Arkansas

Fort Smith, Ark., Aug. 30.

Joyland Park, opened early this summer on the Oklahoma side of the Arkansas river here because Sunday amusements are allowed in Oklahoma and barred in Arkansas, proved a bloomer about the middle of the season, but the bathing beach has made good right along, and is still drawing crowds.

The beach is a sandbar in the middle of the Arkansas river, the sand being white and clean, and the depth tapering nicely to the current. Saturday and Sunday nights dances have been featured at the beach, these, with the fine swimming, attracting good patronage.

The beach and park will stage a picnic, which will be a three-day affair, starting Saturday, and concluding Monday, Sept. 3, and already a number of concessions have been signed up.

It is believed Joyland Park next year will be controlled by new capital and that the place will become actually the amusement center for this city of 35,000 people, with 15,000 more within an hour's automobile ride.

Walter McGinley, a retired circus adjuster and now owner of California oil property, donated $1,500 of the $2,500 asked by the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association for the purpose of purchasing a cemetery plot in Los Angeles.

WINTER FAIRS FAST GAIN FAVOR

Syracuse Will Have One Modeled on Toronto Experiment

Syracuse, Aug. 30.

The experiment in winter fairs tried for the first time in Toronto last year promises to receive further tests. Already the announcement is out that the New York State event at Syracuse will have a winter exhibit and it is reported that the West Virginia State Fair Assn. at Wheeling has the matter under consideration.

The desire to stage a cold weather event seems to arise from the necessity of carrying overhead on plants which are becoming more and more costly. It probably is an extension of the idea of using fair grounds for summer parks which has made considerable headway in the last year.

For example, Syracuse has lately put an enormous sum into a coliseum on the fair grounds, in addition to such improvements as a double track, modern drainage systems and other expensive works. The big investment has to be carried and any new suggestion for using the plant is welcomed.

The Toronto event last winter was reported as successful and the attention of all the fairs that have buildings big enough to stage a similar event, such as the Syracuse and Wheeling organizations, examined the scheme. It is being considered also at Ottawa. Probably the shows will be largely in the nature of a horse show. In some localities they talk of booking in shows, but this is subject to change.

The Syracuse Coliseum will not be completed in time for the 1923 State Fair, which begins Sept. 10, but will be in order for the winter indoor event.

Capt. H. G. Boucher has enriched himself in oil in te far West, but is still interested in his first love—show business.

OUTDOOR BOOKING OFFICE BADLY NEEDED ON COAST

Far West Territory Calling for Outdoor Attractions Continually, With Present Facilities Inadequate—Present Seasons Finds Rides and Shows Getting Good Returns Out There

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Far West territory calling for outdoor attractions continually with present facilities inadequate. The present season finds rides and shows getting good returns out there.

The Pacific Coast and Far West seems to be neglected as far as a booking agency is concerned for outdoor attractions. Up to the present time there has been no recognized booking agency for that field. The nearest thing to an agency now is the Pacific Coast Showmen's Assn., but no fee is charged, and a list of attractions available can always be secured. The circus, side show, rodeo outfits, carnival and concession men have their own advance men who try to book as they go along, making the best propositions only to have an agent from another attraction come along and cut or promise an early date which many times leads to a hot fight with two shows playing the same town simultaneously.

All fairs this spring and summer along the coast had and are having heavy attendance for shows and rides, but the concession men are complaining as they have not been getting much of a play. The reason seems to be the lack of something new to offer the public, not only in the games, but also of the prizes, namely the cheap candy and the same kewpie dolls of which the public is becoming weary of.

Long Beach, the one pier not allowing games of chance, plays to a larger crowd than any other for their shows and rides. The same holds good for fairs and carnivals, the shows and rides getting the money.

Some shows work on a percentage with the concessionaires, others on a rental. Good figures are paid for attractions of merit compared with the rest of the country.

Good for Winter Dates

The Pacific Coast this year more than ever before will be the winter home for more shows. Some of the better known promoters of outdoor attractions are: W. H. Rice, water acts; Frank E. Curran, pet and platform shows; Churchill and Tait, wild animals; Hornes Zoological Arena Co., Long Beach, performing animals; Foley and Burke, carnivals; George Donovan, carnivals and private events.

FALL FESTIVAL CLOSES INDIANA SEASON

Many Activities in Progress Throughout State This Week

Terre Haute, Ind., Aug. 30.

Terre Haute's annual fall pageant, scheduled for the middle of October, will mark the close of a season of unusual outdoor activity in the Wabash River Valley district.

This week finds three events under way. The 19th annual session of the Merom Bluff chautauqua, at Merom, Ind., opened for a 10-day run Sunday. A number of families are camping there for the meetings.

Band concerts by the Royal Scotch Highlanders, a Western rodeo, and Patterson's Midway shows, have been introduced at the Indiana and Illinois State Fair at Danville, Ill., this week. Spectators are displaying great enthusiasm at the bronk busting, steer roping and dodging, buffalo roping, fancy and trick riding and other exhibitions of a score of cowmen assembled here. Horse and auto races are held daily.

A pageant in which more than 1,000 citizens took part is being given at the annual centennial celebration of Paris, Ill. A representative of the Pathe News is "covering" the celebration.

Stockton Veterans' St. Fair

Stockton, Cal., Aug. 30.

Disable Veterans of America have made a verbal request for permission to put on a street carnival.

The former council discouraged shutting up the streets, but this request may be granted in spite of that.

Hammond Exposition Plans Started

Hammond, Ind., Aug. 30.

The local Chamber of Commerce is planning to build a big exposition for the city, which it is expected will eclipse anything ever attempted in a similar line in the vicinity.

A committee has been appointed headed by Dr. H. E. Sharrer, J. A. Armstrong and R. G. Brusch. They are looking over the ground for suitable attractions and ideas. It is expected to be more stupendous than anything ever hitherto attempted by the city.

J. A. Danaby has been selected to handle the organization and production.

Darnaby for several years represented "Buffalo Bill," and has staged many productions in the indoor and outdoor field with H. H. Raver.

Helen Runyan will assist Darnaby as producer of ballets.

J. F. McCabe will have charge of the advertising.

The construction will be under the direction of Joe De Bates.

The baseball grounds will be devoted to the show, and an immense stage 300 feet in length and 80 deep erected, on which will be presented a spectacle depicting the history of the state, county and city.

Continuous vaudeville, circus acts and band concerts will be given, according to present arrangements.

Dropped Performance to Jump

Missoula, Mon., Aug. 30.

The Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus gave one performance here in order to make the long jump to Spokane, Wash.

COUNTRY PAPERS' LIBERAL PRAISE FOR BIG TRAVELLING CIRCUSES

High Commendation for Big Show—Sells-Floto and H-W Noted for Excellence—After Notices This Season Best Ever Recorded—Good Advance Work with Performance Upstanding

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The after notices in newspapers concerning the circus are the best this year ever recorded. With the exception of minor shows, of comparatively no importance, there is nothing being carried by tented enterprises which are to be classified as circus which inclines the newspapers to adverse criticism after the show has visited a city.

The notices, which the Ringling-Barnum-Bailey Circus received in Canada, Montana, Oregon and Washington have been of a high character without exception. The after reviews have emphasized the hugeness of the performance and commented upon the utter impossibility of seeing all. The feature splashes in advance negotiated by press agents have consisted largely of striking cuts with a small quantity of reading matter underneath them. Some of the cuts have run four and five columns.

Sells-Floto Well Noticed

The Sells-Floto Circus has been pronounced "first class" in summaries of its points of excellence written by writers of the newspapers after the show recently left various points in Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky. The excellence of the attractions and the bigness of the enterprise seems to have impressed reviewers. The advance press work has been inclined to created interest in the coming of the show.

Hagenbeck-Wallace, Too

The Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus seems to have left a particularly good impression in the west. It is noticed many writers in commenting upon the show give evidence of surprise. The Anaconda bureau of the Butte "Miner" says the show was "really good," which comment must mean that it was better than expected or else registers enthusiasm with an apologetic tone. The advance stories of Hagenbeck-Wallace appeared under news heads for several days in first-column position of the Anaconda department of the Butte "Miner," which is unusual.

The Livingston "Enterprise" said: "The show was, according to Livingston people who attended it, one of the best by far that has visited this city in some time. Everyone seemed struck with the clean appearance and the conduct of employes and performers. Taken as a whole, it was remarked that the circus, from stake drivers to performers, was marked for cleanliness."

The John Robinson Circus has been in Michigan last week and this and the reviews of the performance have been complimentary, while there has been great stress put in advance notices regarding the fact that this is the 100th year of that circus.

Sparks' Splendid Reviews

The Sparks Circus received splendid notices in Wisconsin and Indiana lately, and the newspapers seem inclined to be particularly liberal in their praise of the performance. The Kokomo (Ind.) "Tribune," which appears from a cursory glance or two to be an excellent newspaper for a city of that size, comments upon the show from a knowing attitude which is convincing.

The Gentry-Patterson Circus recently received notices in Missouri which have about the same tinge, though they could hardly have been press-agent work, for the point is invariably brought out that the circus is not so large as others. These notices have emphasized that the performance gives satisfaction and that the institution is clean.

James Morse "a Good Fellow"

World Brothers Circus did not get much of a notice from the Norton (Kansas) "Telegram," but it says James Morse, representing the enterprise, is "a good fellow to deal with," and "makes friends for the circus by his courtesy."

It is not often an editor of a small city newspaper makes a comparison of shows. The Bucyrus (Ohio) "Telegraph-Forum" says of the John Robinson Circus: "It well entertained"; that if the circus comes that way again it "will doubtless have crowds flocking through the main entrance as always." The writer goes on to complain that there is "nothing new" in the circus world and ends by observing: "There is a suspicion that, whether from necessity or from a desire to show greater earnings, the circuses are not giving the people what they used to."

"YE OLD HOKUM BUCKET"

(Old gags and sayings, compiled by Sam Tishman, of Chicago, in his rounds of the theatres. They are known as "Released gags, but still often heard in the vaudeville houses.)

I'll give you a job.
What'll you pay?
I'll pay you what you're worth.
I won't work that cheap.

Willie, give me a sentence with the word delight.
I opened the window and the wind blew out the light.

We have a cow on our farm that gives a 100 quarts of milk a day.
What his name?
We have no name for her.
Why don't you be patriotic and call her Liberty or U. S. A.?
What, and have her go dry on me?

Out where I come from the pumpkins are so large they actually weigh 500 pounds.
Thats nothing, where I come from its a common sight to see three policeman sleeping on one beat.

Nighty, nighty.
Pajama, pajama.

What are you doing now?
I work in a nut and bolt factory.
What doing?
Nutting.

I moved from where I was stopping.
Why did you move?
The lady who lives across the street from us never pulls down the blinds when she is retiring.
Well, why move?
I've got to sleep some time.

I will now sing a beautiful little ballad, entitled, "America, I love you" by the boys that stayed at home.

I wish you owned a hotel nd I came in some time and found you sick in every room.

I'm going to send my wife away for a little vacation.
Where are you going to send her?
To the Thousand Island, a week on each island.

Why are Ford and O'Sullivan great men?
I don't know, why?
Because they made walking easy.

What kind of a car have you?
A Ford.
That's a rattling good car.

What are you doing now?
I work in the domino factory.
What doing?
I put the spots on dominoes.
Well, why aren't you working today?
They're making blanks.

What gives more milk than a cow?
I don't know, what gives more milk than two cows.
No, you're wrong, a milk wagon.

I got a funny kind of a cow that gives buttermilk
That's nothing, what can a cow give but her milk.

What's your hurry?
My mother-in-law ate 40 cucumbers and she is at death's door.
Where are you going—for a doctor?
No; more cucumbers.

I hear you have got a new boarder down in your house.
It's only a rumor.

I went to see my girl and she yelled down she was taking a bath I told her to slip on something. She slipped on a bar of soap.

The man that named near-beer Bevo had a poor idea of distance.

Man with bottle on his hip was struck by auto truck. As he felt the liquid oozing down his trousers he cried:
"I hope it's blood."

Lace up your shoe; your tongue is out.

What do you do for a living?
I'm a policeman.
Honest?
What's the difference?

What time is it?
I left my watch upstairs and it ran down.

Where do good little girls go when they die?
They go to heaven.
Where do bad little girls go?
They go to the railroad station and meet the travelling salesmen.

Our doctor fell in the well. Told him to take care of the sick and leave the well alone.

Did P. T. Barnum go to heaven when he died?
I don't know; he had a good show.

Do you take a bath every day?
Since I have been married I'm in hot water every day.

Early to bed and early to rise
Keeps you away from the regular guys.

The greatest after-dinner story:
"Boys, I'll take the check."

My brother was arrested for marrying a new woman.
Impossible.
Sure; his old woman came back.

NO EARLY WINTER ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT WEATHER EXPERTS

Recent Cold Spell in East Had No Bearing on General Conditions—Reports From Entire Country Considered in Giving Opinion—Considerable Heat Yet to Come. Scientists Interested in New Spots on Sun

Variety-Clipper Bureau,
Evans Bldg.,
Washington, Aug. 30.

An early winter this year is not anticipated by the officials of the United States Weather Bureau. This in spite of the extreme cold spell of the past week and other signs indicating that winter would reach here much earlier this year and that it would be a severe one.

The recent cold spell which raised such havoc with outdoor amusements was explained by Forecaster Bowie of the bureau as due to a storm on the Great Lakes which drove a great deal of cold air down from Canada. Major Bowie stated that this would soon be over and that much hot weather was yet in store before summer finally gave way to winter.

Reports have been coming into Washington of many signs indicative of approaching cold weather, many of them stating that winter had already set in through much of the northern country. Not long ago it was pointed out a four-day frost was experienced in Connecticut. Reports from Canada have the birds, ducks and the other members of the feathered tribe already migrating southward. Information coming through from the Arctic regions report an unusually early winter.

Here in Washington the changing weather which has varied from hot to extremely cold in the brief space of 24 hours has given the scientist much food for thought, they speculating on just what it all meant. The statement, however, from the Weather Bureau should put all speculation along these lines at rest as here detailed reports are received daily from every section of the country, as well as the world, these reports being carefully studied by experienced men who can judge with minute accuracy the different trends of the weather in every portion of the country.

Major Bowie said yesterday, in commenting on the weather conditions experienced throughout the country during the past summer, "I do not place any stock in those signs of an early winter. While there is no way of telling now, I do not believe winter will come any earlier than usual this year. I do not think the weather has been at all unusual this summer. The recent cold spell was due merely to a storm over the Great Lakes, which drove a lot of cold air down from Canada. That will soon be over and we will be having hot weather again."

Sun Spots Attract Attention

Recent spots on the sun reported by the Smithsonian Institute have caused scientists to wonder as to their meaning, and a report has come forth from the Institute which states in part: "A noticeable case of fluctuation in the sun's radiation was reported from Mount Harqua Hala, where the institution has a field station. A fall of 5 per cent. in the solar heat occurred beginning about October 15, 1922, reaching the minimum on October 21, and then quickly recovering to normal by Oct. 25."

The report did not contain anything as to the possible effect of this condition on the weather and whether the performance of the sun last October has anything to do with the sudden changes in the weather this summer has not yet been determined by the scientists.

Ohio State Fair Has 2,000 Sheep

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 30.

The 73rd state fair opened Monday. It has a premium list totailing $125,000, which Charles V. Truax, state director of agriculture, believes surpasses any like exposition in the country. The exhibits of the cattle division represent 20 states. Two thousand entries in the sheep department are a feature. This fair broke the world's record in 1921 with 1,200 sheep on the ground.

A pageant entitled "Citizen Birds" is intended to show the value of birds to agriculture in protection from insects. The theme of the affair was worked out by W. A. Ireland, cartoonist of the Columbus "Dispatch," and 1,000 young folks from central Ohio present it.

Eddie Tait moved out of Los Angeles last week with thirteen elephants.

Fair Grounds Stock Project

Flint, Mich., Aug. 30.

A proposal to establish a fair ground with motor speedway and race track and possible aeroplane landing field, has been endorsed by Mayor David R. Cuthbertson and a committee will select a site this week. A 140 acre tract is being considered located on the Dixie highway, a few miles south of the city limits.

The project is to be financed by a stock company, with the real estate and buildings as security for the initial stock issue.

The step was taken as the result of the refusal of admission to the city of carnivals which are prohibited by a city ordinance.

PENNSYLVANIA ALL HET UP OVER OLDEST COUNTY FAIR

Annual Fair Season Brings Forth Discussion as to Earliest Date—Several Held Before Revolutionary War — State Society Formed in 1823

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 30.

With the fair season in full swing a lively discussion is on throughout the State as to where the first county fair in Pennsylvania was held. Some information comes from the State, the county historical societies or individuals who are presenting such facts as can be found. Cyrus T. Fox, secretary of the Berks County Historical Society, announces that the honor of holding the first county fair belongs to Berks, a fair having been held in Reading in 1766.

The holding of fairs in Reading commenced soon after the county was established in 1752. The custom resulted from the dedication of a large central area to the public by the founders of the town, Thomas and Richard Penn, the sons of William Penn.

These markets, as they were first called, gave rise to the semi-annual fair days, when prizes were offered for the best products of the farm and when bartering and exchanging by farmers, merchants and manufacturers took place on a large scale.

The first semi-annual fair was held in October, 1766, and was followed by a spring fair in 1767. At the time of the spring fair cherries were abundant and great baskets and crates of them were brought from the surrounding farms. From this the fair was known as the "Cherry Fair," a name which stuck for many years.

The spring and fall exhibitions continued for two days. The presence of hundreds of country people in town led to dancing and other frivolities in the taverns and the inns. Some of the gay scenes resulted in disorderly conduct on the part of some who had indulged too freely.

People in other counties were not long in seeing the advantage that resulted in the holding of agricultural fairs and soon others were organized in nearby counties. In 1823 a State agricultural society was organized in Pennsylvania. Although incorporated, it was allowed to fall into neglect and nothing was accomplished until 1851, when the first State fair was held in Harrisburg.

New Animals at Park

Col. Jacob Ruppert has presented the menagerie in Central Park, New York, with three seals. The Central Park Zoo has not listed seals among its collection for several years.

Central Park will open a new barnyard this week, with a number of domestic animals, such as a cow, chickens, etc.

RODEO COWGIRLS

A group of young women riders in the recent Tex Austin Rodeo at the Yankee Stadium. The picture was taken at a luncheon given the girls by Eula Youngblood (Mrs. Glenn Condon). The "Racing Beauty" toy horses are the invention of Buddy Grey, formerly of Grey and Peters, the bicycle act. Mr. Grey retired from the stage some time ago.

The cowgirls in the front row, from left to right, are Helen Elliott, Betty McCarthy, Marie Gibson and Mabel Strickland.

On the rear line, from left to right, are Creta Elliott, Ruth Wheat and Miss Youngblood.

FAIRMEN NAME CHICAGO, DEC. 5

Des Moines Couldn't Handle Secretaries' Meeting—Memphis Loses

Chicago, Aug. 30.

As announced first by Clipper two weeks ago the International Fair Secretaries' meeting will be held December 5-6-7 at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago.

Frank Fuller thought Memphis could not handle the crowd on account of lack of hotel accommodation, and S. N. Mayfield, president of the body, wrote the rest of the directors, who wanted the meeting in Chicago, explaining Chicago would be named providing that Des Moines who had tendered an invitation at Toronto did not want it.

Mr. Mayfield then wrote Don V. Moore, asking him to get into touch with Des Moines officials, who informed him that they could not handle the convention on account of the lateness of the notice. The meeting was then put back to Chicago.

At present the various secretaries are busy with their own immediate affairs and no specific details will be arranged until after October 1st. Mr. Fuller is in charge of the program and is working on it. No other committees have been named so far.

Rain and Mud Cause Lost Performances

Kirksville, Mo., Aug. 30.

The Gentry-Patterson Circus missed performances here on account of rain. The show grounds were so muddy it was impossible to put up the tents. The special train was held up, and did not arrive until nine o'clock.

There was a temporary lull which coaxed the herald to announce on the streets that the parade was called off but that the big show would open on time. An hour later, after another storm, the announcement was made that the afternoon show had been abandoned, but that the night performance would be given. Fanally the performances were called off altogether and the show loaded, with the hint given that a date would probably be arranged for Kirksville in September.

First Circus of Season Sept. 10

Fort Smith, Ark., Aug. 30

The first circus of the season will make its appearance Monday, Sept. 10, when the Carl Hagenbeck-Wallace circus will show here. F. B. Head, advance agent of the show, was here Sunday.

The circus, headed this way from Kansas, has been drawing in the larger towns and cities, but the small places did not turn up the usual good business, due to poor prices for the farmers' products.

K. K. K. Rents Fair Grounds for Big Meeting

Cincinnati, Aug. 30.

The local Ku Klux Klan held a big meeting at the Carthage Fair grounds last Saturday night.

The Fair Board received $100 for the use of the park. When the question whether to let the white-hooded ones use the grounds was brought up, possible objection was quickly silenced when several directors declared that other fraternities were allowed to have it for a meeting place and why not K. K. K.

The A. B. C. attractions will be at Huntington, Beach, Calif., opening Labor Day.

WEST TEXAS CROPS GOOD AND CATTLE PROMISING

Prospects for Traveling Attractions of Various Kinds Bright—Circuses Can Look for Returns on One Night Stands and Smaller Shows in Larger Towns

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 30.

Business conditions and crop reports of West Texas have recently reached Fort Worth, the distributing center for the Western part of the State. Although slightly exaggerated by the towns and cities the reports nevertheless manifested that West Texas will have one of its best cotton crops and that business conditions will be good during the Winter and Spring.

West Texas includes several cities and towns such as Wichita Falls, Abilene, Sweetwater, Amatillo, Lubbock and a number of others. This territory is a large cattle producing country and due to the recent rains, cattle are fattening and due to the apparent high price that will be paid for beef during the next twelve months the receipts from cattle sales should help the prosperous condition.

Several large circuses are routing through West Texas in preference to the other portions of the State and a number of road shows are booking into the large towns and cities. Experienced showmen claim the coming series of West Texas fairs should prove the best in the history of the section.

Carnivals are rapidly booking the coming fairs and a scramble for dates is taking place between the large carnivals that have worked the country before and are well known.

Shows Welcome.

In West Texas carnival shows and road shows are welcome. There is no agitation by local people, against taking money out of town. License fees are not high with a few exceptions in a few small towns where an attempt is made to hold up the show before a performance by demanding excessive license fees.

Booking or advance men interested in working West Texas the coming year should write to the secretaries of the various chambers of commerce in the towns they want to book into. As a general rule every Chamber of Commerce secretary, if the town has a fair, is also fair secretary. If he is not, he can refer any inquiry to the person or persons in charge of the fair.

Carnival booking men, whose companies are working the South, should attempt to book into West Texas the coming season. From all reports received better conditions prevail there than any other portion of the South or Southwest.

Chance for Tabs.

Small tabloid companies, carrying light props and a small cast, should do a good business in West Texas the coming season. Due to the long jumps between large towns a company with a large cast and heavy overhead should stay out. The business that a show of this kind would do, would not justify the expense necessary to transport the company from one town to another. In some instances the fare for one jump amounts to $7 and $8 per person, and in addition sleeper accommodations are necessary. A company travelling in their own car might come out of West Texas with a small amount of money ahead. However, if the large companies will follow the example of the large minstrel companies such as Fields and O'Brien, they will stay away. A company expecting to book into towns for a week will make money but companies expecting to make one and two night stops, if a large company, will in all probability lose money.

One Nighters for Circuses.

Circuses can make money playing West Texas on one night stands. In some instances circuses playing at $1 and $1.50 entrance and reserved seats extra have played through West Texas to capacity crowds. However, road shows cannot expect to play at more than 75c. top, and it will have to be a well known show to get that.

For the experienced showman, West Texas will be a good field to operate in for the next 12 months. If handled and billed right any circus, carnival or small road show can play there the next year and come out with a good sum of money.

MICHIGAN FAIR HAS 23 DEPT'S

Opened Aug. 31—Boys' Club Work Is a Feature

Detroit, Aug. 30.

The 74th annual exposition and Michigan State Fair will open tomorrow. The exhibits, as placed, indicate it will show substantial growth since 1922.

In the 23 departments of the fair approximately $110,000 in prizes will be awarded, according to George W. Dickinson, secretary-manager.

The development of boys' club work throughout the State will make this department stand out this year. The Federal and State governments sponsor this department, and two acres of ground in the fair enclosure have been tilled during the summer with a view of making a showing.

The exhibits in the cattle department will reach 700, 100 in advance of last year. A 100-mile auto race will be a feature of the fair, and altogether $50,000 is being expended for amusements which includes two fireworks spectacles.

Wortham Shows Have Big Texas Date

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The Fiesta Desan Jacinto, or "Battle of Flowers" to be held at San Antonio, Texas, in 1924 has been awarded to the C. A. Wortham World Best Shows for the eleventh consecutive year. The big event is held annually in commemmoration of the Battle of the Alamo, which is styled "The Cradle of Texas Liberty" and is the biggest event of its kind in America.

The securing of this date by a carnival is on par with the biggest fairs in the country.

Representatives of the largest carnivals in the country were invited to bid for the contract and were present, the contract being awarded to George Robinson, part owner of the show.

Fair Prizes for Boys and Girls

Berea, O., Aug. 30.

A total of $1,575 in prizes for boys and girls is to be put up by the annual fair of the West Cuyohoga Agricultural Society, to be held here September 11-14. Amusement and entertainment features will be offered every day, with horse races Septtember 12-14, and fireworks and a pageant September 12 and 13.

Officers of the fair association are W. G. Hutchinson of Berea, president; E. L. Wing of this city, vice-president; and L. M. Coe of North Olmstead, secretary and treasurer.

New Attendance Record

Ravenna, O., Aug. 30.

Attendance records at the annual Portage County Fair were shattered this week, when it is estimated 40,000 people passed through the turnstiles at the fair grounds. It was the 99th annual exhibition, and according to Secretary Fred M. Knapp, every division eclipsed that of former years.

De Carno, high perch artist, was one of the featured free attractions, in addition to a dog and pony circus.

Day and night sessions. The opening, Tuesday night, was interfered with due to rain.

Aviatrix in Vaude House

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Gladys Roy, the young aviatrix, parachute jumper and acrobatic performer who recently broke the high altitude record here, is making personal appearances in vaudeville at the State, Long Beach, this week. Miss Roy has 600 feet of film showing her in daring stunts in the air.

Praise for Child Welfare Feature for Big Fairs

The Christian Science Monitor devotes over a page of space to fair activities and the Cincinnati Exposition.

It devotes no less than five columns of space and a four column pictorial lay-out to the activities of the boy's and girl's clubs and was wonderful publicity for the Iowa State Fair at Des Moines and the Interstate Fair at Sioux City, Ia.

According to the Monitor, no less than 600,000 boys and girls are profitably and interestedly employed in this work in rural organizations.

COMM'R COLER FACES COMPLAINT SEPT. 5

Public Welfare Dept. Head Was Very Active Against Charity Carnivals

Commissioner of Public Welfare Bird S. Coler's interference with charity carnivals and bazaars has resulted in a complaint being lodged with Commissioner of Accounts David Hirschfield. The latter has set a hearing to sift the charges for Sept. 5.

Coler has been waging continuous warfare all summer against charitable, fraternal, religious and other organizations which were the "auspices" of fairs and carnivals, objecting to the alleged gambling features at such affairs. The welfare commissioner even enlisted Police Commissioner Enright's assistance to deal summarily with the offenders. All of which roused the ire of the various "auspices," causing several to resort to the courts for injunctive relief.

FARM BUREAU TAKES ACTION AGAINST FAIR OPPOSITION

County Bureau Seeks Aid of City Council to Keep Outdoor Attractions Away During September—Ringling Show Cause—Conflicts with County Fair

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 30.

Directors of the San Diego county farm bureau recently urged the city council to forbid the exhibition of circuses and other outdoor attractions during September, because of their deterrent effect on the local county fair. The council has requested the city attorney to investigate and report as to the legality of taking such action.

The question was brought to the attention of the councilmen as a result of the announcement that the Ringling show will exhibit here on Sept. 10. Secretary Felix Landis of the farm bureau, asserted the visit of a circus in the same month the county fair is held was ruinous to the fair and cited that last year when the Ringling show played here in September, the county fair receipts were decreased by fully $5,000.

Landis said it probably was too late for the council to take any action on the matter this year, but urged that something be done to protect the county fair next season.

The city attorney declared that if a license permit is granted to the Ringling show, it cannot be revoked and that this case would have to come under the police powers and regulations of the city. Whether the attorney will later rule that the city can refuse to grant licenses to circuses and other outdoor attractions during September of each year, and whether the city council will take such action, even if it is adjudged legal, remains to be seen. Several of the councilmen seem to be in favor of such a plan.

Backs Fair Directors

E. B. Gould, Jr., president of the local Chamber of Commerce, backed up the request of the county fair directors, telling the council that the fair did more to build up San Diego's back country than any other one agency. Some of the councilmen suggested that if the fair committee notified the Ringling management that the circus was not wanted here in September, San Diego would be cut off the show's route. It is problematical how such a suggestion would be received by the big top management.

At present, the whole matter is in the hands of the city attorney. No action will be taken to forbid the circus showing on Sept. 10, this year, but if it is found that circuses can be barred legally, an ordinance covering the situation may be presented to the city council for adoption.

In case such an ordinance is passed in San Diego, it will establish a dangerous precedent with respect to outdoor attractions that plan to show here at any time in September.

In addition to its alleged confliction with the county fair, the Ringling show will also be opposed by the Fete of the Sun pageant at Toronado, which is scheduled for the same date—Sept. 10.

CARP CARPED; SASS SASSED

Befittingly Named Belligerents in Chicago

Chicago, Aug. 30.

John Carp, who is old enough to know better, got into a carping mood last night and objected to a merry-go-round that was operating at Cornell and Holt streets.

So John took a crowbar and the law into his own hands and did a "Carrie Nation" with the machinery.

To show that names are sometimes dangerous, a man named Sass started "sassing" the cops who came to arrest Carp and both were taken into custody.

Now John has ceased carping and Sass sasses no more, but the merry-go-round is damaged to the tune of several hundreds of dollars.

RUTH ROACH

One of the leading girl rodeo contestants, uses "Buddy," a horse presented to her by the late "Deadgame" Bud Blue, Oklahoma sheriff, after whom the animal was named. Blue, who had a reputation for fearlessness, was accountable for the rounding up of a number of outlaws in his district. His death occurred in a domino hall in Wichita Falls, Texas, where he was shot.

Mayor Seeks Free Circus for Kids

Kansas City, Aug. 30.

Mayor Frank Cromwell, of this city, who last year promoted a free picnic for the kids of Kansas City, which received big publicity as well as breaking into the pictures, is advocating a circus for the youngsters. He announces he has written the management of one of the largest circuses, which is due here some time in September, asking terms for two free performances.

It is claimed the two performances can be bought for around $10,000, and the mayor thinks this amount can be easily be raised by public subscription. The papers are giving the affair all kinds of space, and it is quite probable that it will be arranged.

C. H. Alten will take an animal circus through the Imperial Valley, on the Pacific Coast, next month.

Missouri State Fair Breaks Record

Kansas City, Aug. 30.

The twenty-third annual Missouri state fair which closed at Sedalia Saturday broke all records for attendance, more than doubling the admissions of last year. Thursday's record was 60,000, which beat the preceding day by 15,000, that also being a record breaker.

In addition to the regular fair events many features and novelties were given. Wednesday night the principal event, out of the usual routine, was the christening of a five week old Nubian lion cub, belonging to the Patterson-Gentry shows by Governor Hyde. The executed named the cub "Greater Missouri." Other special events were a horse shoe pitching contest with a silver cup as the prize, an old fiddlers' contest, and many other novelties.

Mayor Officer of Park Company

Kansas City, Aug. 30.

Several changes have just been made in the officers of the Fairyland Amusement company, builders and operators of the new Fairyland Park. The newly elected officers are Henry Mayer, president; Frank H. Cromwell, vice-president; R. G. Cook, secretary; Vincent Scuderio, treasurer. Sam Benjamin continues as general manager. Frank H. Cromwell, vice-president is mayor of this city.

Concessionaire Under Arrest

Waterloo, N. Y., Aug. 30.

Search through the central part of the state for the abductor of sixteen-year-old Nora Markell, of Hayt's Corners, ended with the arrest of Harvey Baker, of Ithaca, at the Cortland County Fair. The girl was found in a concession booth operated by the Ithacan, who will probably face an abduction charge.

The girl met the Ithaca man at the Trumansburg Fair.

CITY ORDINANCE THEATENED CIRCUS

New Ordinance Limits Billing to Metal Boards —One Concern Controls All

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 30.

What threatened for a time to put a crimp in the appearance here of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey shows on Sept. 10 developed when the advance crew got here to put up the paper. Al Hart, who handles practically all of the outdoor advertising for visiting amusements, was served by the city building bureau with a notice that a new ordinance would be enforced which prohibited the posting of bills except upon billboards of metal construction, which would cut out his work for the circus, as he uses largely dead-walls and fences in placing advertising matter.

Accompanied by a score or more of the circus crew, Hart visited the common council, then in session, and put the matter up to the members who adopted a special measure temporarily suspending the provisions of the ordinance for a period of thirty days, thus allowing the posting of the circus paper, as well as that for the county fair and the "Fete of the Sun," the last-named event being scheduled at Coronado across the bay.

Had not the council acted for the relief of Hart, the circus crew would have had to leave without papering the city or else sign up an iron-clad contract with a local billboard firm which controls the boards that meet the requirements of the ordinance, this firm also demanding that it be given the circus' work in the other cities where it controls the billboard privilege.

Bad County Fair For Concessions

Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 30.

The Crounse Shows, which have been playing in several small towns and cities throughout Northern New York, received a severe jolt the latter part of last week while showing on the midway at the Gouverneur Fair. The second day of the exhibition Sheriff Gibson, accompanied by Undersheriff Farmer of Canton, appeared on the grounds and closed several of the tents operating wheels and alleged games of chance.

The stands closed at the Gouverneur were allowed to run at the Ogdensburg Fair the week before, it was stated by members of the carnival compnay. The shows also played in Watertown several weeks ago. The police department in this city stated that while in Watertown there was no gambling on the grounds and it was possible to win in every game.

Crounse has not decided what action he will take, but it is possible he will have the action investigated by higher authorities.

The Crounse Shows are at the St. Lawrence County Fair at Canton, N. Y., this week.

Attachment Against Flyer

Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 30.

An echo of Lillian Boyer's visit to Milwaukee last year was heard here today, when the famous stunt flyer, appearing at the Wisconsin state fair, was named in attachment proceedings in circuit court.

The action is the result of an injury sustained by a West Allis boy when he picked up a bomb which Miss Boyer dropped from her plane while flying at the fair grounds last year, and was severely burned.

Shows Change Name

Howe's Great London Shows and Van Amberg's Trained Wild Animals, Inc., have filed a petition in the Superior Court to change their name. The petitioners have chosen the name of Golden Brothers Wild Animals, Inc.

The petitioners were Charles J. Adams, Marguerite Golden and Michael E. Golden, all members of the board of directors of the organization. Friction with the former owners was one reason for the change.

Cloudburst Causes Death and Havoc

Salt Lake City, Aug. 30

A flood from a nearby canyon, the result of a cloudburst, tore down upon Lagoon one night last week doing great damage. About 500 people at the resort at the time sought refuge on the huge dance floor, which is elevated two or three feet.

Arnold Christensen, manager of the dancing pavilion, and brother of General Manager A. C. Christensen, lost his life in saving his family. He had just rescued his wife when someone said their two-year-old child had been carried away by the water. Christensen thought he was safe, as he proved to be, but as soon as the distressing words were uttered he fell back dead from shock. Medical evidence showed that he had been suffering from a weak heart. The resort is open again. It has been doing the best business in many years. Some good motion pictures were taken of the disaster.

FAIR "CONCESH" BOOKINGS SET

Fairs in the East Well Supplied with All Styles

Concessions for the fairs opening shortly in the East are going rapidly. The Inter-State Fair, which opens at Trenton on Sept. 24, has sold practically all concessions on the midway. M. R. Margenum, secretary of the fair association stated he might find it necessary to put up another midway in order to accommodate the concessionaires that were attempting to make bookings.

The fairs at Reading, Pa., Allentown, Pa., and York, Pa., which follow in order after the Trenton Fair report concessions booking rapidly, and that all available space should be leased several weeks during the opening date.

DID $11,000

Sells-Floto Circus' Business at Louisville

Louisville, Aug. 30.

The Sells-Floto Circus was here after two other shows had made this city and with a fourth billed—the John Robinson circus—for the fair, and in spite of this did an exceptionally big day's business.

The figures of the gross business of a circus are not often obtainable, but the Sells-Floto takings here reached $11,000.

Troopers Injured at Fair

Malone, N. Y., Aug. 30.

Two New York state troopers attached to the local state constabulary headquarters were casualties at county fairs. Trooper Ernest Oldstead suffered a fractured leg in trick riding at the Gouverneur Fair, while Lieut. E. J. Helm was similarly hurt at the Ogdensburg Fair when he threw his horse in the path of a runaway to save children from injury.

Troopers have been giving trick riding exhibitions as free attractions at the county fairs this summer.

Circus at Tourcoing

Paris, Aug. 21.

The program of the Hippodrome Palace, Tourcoing (France), to date comprises: Strength Bros., acrobats; Colle de Losse, wire act; Zaleski and partner, contortionist; Les Mandos, looping the loop; Six Gallenos, acrobats; Les Aleximes, trapeze; G. Foutana, Mexican sport act; The Six Mongadors, jugglers; Miss Yielding, horse riding; Antonet and Baby, clowns; Three Sisters Carré, equestrian act; Riogoku Troupe, Mlle. Solange, Mlle. Dita; Atoff and Miss Loulou, Miss Belly.

C. A. McIntosh, manager of East Lake Park, Birmingham, Ala., was in New York until early this week, making inquiry for several new amusement devices.

INQUIRY ON RIDE PROJECTS FOR 1924 SHOWS PROSPERITY

Projects for Winter and Spring Construction Estimated at Half Again More Than Same Season Last Year at This Time

New York business firms engaged in construction of rides and other outdoor amusement devices reported this week that already enough inquiry for winter and early spring construction has come into sight to indicate something of business in the parks during the season up to mid-August. The volume of such projects is estimated at 50 per cent more than last year at this time, according to some authorities among them Miller & Baker.

Tentative inquiry of this kind for the future is always taken as an index of the feeling among outdoor amusement caterers. If current business at the recreation resorts is good, and the season up to mid-August has been satisfactory, the amusement promoter looks for new fields and the established manager sees his way clear to the extension of his own plant.

If business is slack, the park manager lays off anything that will call for additional investment the following year.

Most of the business coming into sight just now is indefinite, and in some cases may be a long way from closing, but the bulk of all kinds of negotiations is considered, whether it is a request to builders to submit bids or a mere inquiry as to prices for certain kinds of construction.

Among the projects regarded as nearest to definite commitment is the proposition to build a big recreation resort near Atlantic Highlands, N. J., probably involving around $2,000,000. This has reached the stage of the submitting of plans and estimates by architects. One of the newest projects is an invitation to bid on a new roller coaster for Euclid Park, Cleveland, calling for delivery completed by Memorial Day.

Rockaway Falls Behind.

The only spot in the East that is generally reported as behind last year is Rockaway, and here the slump is blamed partly on the high railroad fare for Long Island and the development of the bungalow population, which is permanent from May to October, and does little holiday spending.

The Long Island Railroad charges high rates for trip mileage, close to three cents a mile. This is an effort to equalize its extremely low commutation rates. But it discourages holiday travel to the Rockaways, and sends much of this traffic to Coney Island.

Loud complaints of bad business and ruin are heard from Coney Island, but these are discounted. Island business men generally put the worst complexion on their current business, and the opening of the board walk gives them grounds for dissatisfaction. Business probably is somewhat off this season, when the promenade is new, but the old-timers on the Island are mostly of the opinion that this condition will adjust itself when the new streets are cut through.

From the Rocky Mountain district come reports of losses due to bad weather, both rain and cold, but the Middle Western section is pronounced satisfactory.

FAIRS SUBSIDIZED BY SOVIET RUSSIA

Soviet Russia believes in the fairs.

How the government is helping the fairs in Russia is evidenced by the fact that a rebate of from 10 to 50 per cent. is made on all goods shipped either by rail or water to Nizhni-Novgorod fair this year, it is related in cables.

Private interests are on the same footing as state or co-operative interests. Credits are being advanced by Russian banks, and construction of buildings and repairs have more than doubled since last year in anticipation of augmented stocks of goods.

"STRUTTIN' " MUSS

Colored "Champens" End at Sox Park

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Over 5,000 colored folks who had paid $2.20 per couple to "strut their stuff" at a so-called "Championship Cake Walk" in the White Sox Park, Chicago, Tuesday night raised a rumpus when the colored band disappeared and the lights went out.

The would-be "champeens" were first astonished, then angry, and the "championship" affair broke up in a riot, with Lieut. Al Cohn and a squad from Stanton avenue pacifying the expectant dancers.

Excited officials in charge of the affair sent the disgruntled dancers to a barber shop at 3447 South State street to get a refund of the money paid for the cakewalk, with what success deponent knoweth not.

Gypsies Accused of Kidnaping

Cincinnati, Aug. 30.

Harvey Mullen is supposed to have been kidnaped by a band of gypsies in the vicinity of the Clermont County Fair, near his home at Pleasant Plain, O. Mullen was last seen at the fair.

While his father talked with the gypsies about trading horses the youth strolled around the fair grounds. He failed to return. The father notified the countryside and a posse searched for the boy, without avail.

ANIMAL DEALER LOST IN BORNEO JUNGLE

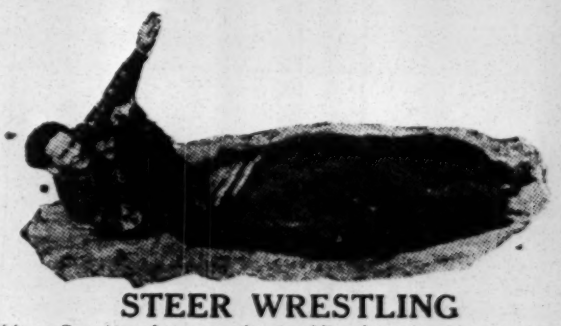
Head Hunters' War Drive Him to Marshes—Three Governments Send Searching Parties

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Lost for months in the uncharted jungle marshes of Borneo on an ape hunt while head hunters decapitated one another in one of their numerous tribal wars, and while three governments, the Dutch, British and the American sent searching parties to rescue him, is only part of adventure told for the first time by a Los Angeles man and authenticated by dispatches from the American Department of State, signed by Secretary Hughes.

The explorer is Geore Fieg, formerly in the amusement business in Venice. The object of the expedition was to bring to this country specimens of huge gorillas or anthropoid apes, denizens of the Borneo forest. Fieg sailed for the South Seas in September of last year, going by way of the Orient. Nineteen of the great orang-outangs or wild men of the woods were obtained. Meanwhile between the coast and where the Los Angeles hunter was camped a war broke out among the Dyakes or headhunters. Later, when a Chinese trader brought news that the head hunters war was over, Feig came out of hiding and made his way to the coast and home.

Of the nineteen big monks, only four lived to reach this country.



STEER WRESTLING

Yakima Canutt, who won the world's championship at the Rodeo, Yankee Stadium, New York, last week, is here seen in action winning the event at Wichita Falls, Tex.

Bicycle Rider Has Very Bad Fall

Newport, R. I., Aug. 30.

Nicholas Chefalo, 40, of Chelsea, Mass., known as "Dare Devil Chefalo," a bicycle rider, was critically injured Thursday night when he fell while performing a feat at Rocky Point, a Rhode Island beach resort.

The rider was at the top of a 30-foot incline attempting a loop-the-loop when he lost control of the bicycle about five feet from the starting point and was hurtled to the ground. More than 500 stood terror-stricken as the bicycle and its rider swerved to one side and plunged to the turf. Chefalo landed first and the bicycle on top of him. A number of onlockers just missed being hit. He was rushed to the Rhode Island hospital, where physicians found him suffering from severe internal injuries besides body contusions. Slight hope is being held for his recovery.

Chefalo had been performing twice daily at the beach all week. He is married and has three children.

Day and Night Features For Coast Resort Pageant

Atlantic City, Aug. 30.

The Atlantic City pageant, to be held Sept. 4-8, will have an elaborate program that will fill the greater part of the day and some of the nights.

King Neptune arrives on Wednesday afternoon, the Bathers' Revue is scheduled for Thursday, and the Roll Chair Parade on Friday.

One of the features will be the Night Carnival, which is to take place on Thursday evening. This will not be confined to the Boardwalk alone, but will spread over the streets throughout the city.

Suit Against Park & Ride

Mrs. Louisa Wright of Paterson, N. J., entered suit against John Plick, who runs a pony ride at Hillside Park, and the Hillside Pleasure Park, asking for $7,000 and $2,500 medical fees. She maintains her grandson, Harry McCurley, was injured on May 6 by being kicked by a pony owned by Plick.

The boy, it is said, had a bone in his right hand broken.

Flying Codonas Signed For Cirque de Paris

Chicago, Aug. 30

The Flying Codonas, who came to attention since they appeared for five weeks at the Monroe Centennial Exposition, Los Angeles, will at the end of the season go to Paris, France, where they have contracts for the Cirque De Paris.

The Codonas will return here in time to fill their fair dates, which will be exclusively for the World Amusement Service Association, which has them contracted till the end of 1924.

Stopped Balloon Selling

Sistersville, W. Va., Aug. 30.

Chief of Police Lawson refused a permit to sell balloons to a follower or attache of the Al G. Barnes circus. The salesman started to sell, but was arrested and jailed until the circus train pulled out.

HAGENBECKS DENY DISGUISE OF THEIR GERMAN ANIMAL MEN

Employ Citizens of All Nations and Chose Appropriate Trainers for Work, Says Firm's American Representative—Friendly With Bostocks

The Hagenbecks object to the statements made in England, as reported in The Clipper, that they are sending German animal men into England and other countries under the guise of Dutchmen. The American representative of the firm, John Benson of Jersey City, said this week.

"I might tell you that our firm employs men from nearly every nation in the world, from Hindoos to Americans, so it is not necessary to ship Germans to England as Dutchmen. In nearly every country our firm has a representative native of that country. For instance, I am an American in the United States, while in South America Mr. Gonzales is a South American of Spanish descent, and the same is true in other countries.

"I believe that nearly everyone in the animal business knows that we employ not only animal trainers from all nations but that acts playing the Hagenbeck circuses in Europe are chosen for merit and not on the ground of their nationality. Acts representing several different nations are constantly in our employ. What I wish to convey is that if the Hagenbeck Brothers can find a Dutchman who fills a certain position better than an Englishman or a Frenchman or a German, they use the Dutchman as a matter of course."

Illustrating his point, Mr. Benson displayed a copy of an illustrated paper from Hamburg with pictures of a group of small elephants attended by two East Indians and an Englishman. Another view shows a small bear and a caracal in charge of two East Indians, a Czecho-Slovakian and an Englishman, while another group taken in one of the Hagenbeck animal houses discloses two East Indians, an Englishman, a Frenchman and a number of Poles and Germans.

"We have half a dozen different nationalities working in the United States right now," continued Mr. Benson.

"As to Mr. Bostock and my firm being rivals in the way the Clipper mentioned recently, I doubt it. E. H. Bostock of Glasgow is one of the dearest friends I have, and the same is true of my firm. There is nothing one would not do for the other should occasion arise. We have all known each other since boyhood. It is very true that Mr. Bostock has imported a number of animals, and the firm he succeded in England—namely, the Wombwells—imported animals from India and Africa into England long before a wild animal was imported into the United States. They were really the pioneers in the wild animal trade in England.

"The Bostocks have operated animal shows on a large scale for a great many years and have been very successful. Animal men, animal dealers and animal trainers have no better friend than Mr. E. H. Bostock of Glasgow.

"His untiring efforts in relation to the animal bill which recently has given so much concern in England proves this. There have been no harder workers against the measure than he and his son. But as far as Mr. Bostock going into the business of importing wild animals to any great extent, I doubt it very much.

"If I know him as well as I think I do he is far too wise and has had too much experience and knows the risks, losses and annoyances of the business far too well to go into it very deeply. True, he has a surplus of stock at times and needs to dispose of some material. Then, I assure him, both myself and my firm are as willing to help him as he is to help us when he knows of someone who wants a particular specimen which we have."

In this connection, it became known this week that Gordon Bostock, brother of Claud Bostock the American vaudeville agent, was on the way from England to the United States, bringing a troup of performing elephants which will be offered to the vaudeville circuits. It is understood they are not for sale. Bostock is due in New York by the end of this week.

RECORD SIZE PAINTING

Will Be Completed for Exhibition at Philadelphia in 1926

Paris, Aug. 30.

Renimel, French artist, plans to create the largest painting in the world representing the Battle of Chateau Thierry showing the American troops attacking.

The picture is intended for exhibition at the Philadelphia Celebration in 1926.

PERFORMERS PINCHED

Side Show Members Stopped From Wrecking Island

Impromptu capers, indulged in by ten members of the "Hollywood Darktown Follies," a side show which had been appearing at Coney Island until last week, led to their arrest Monday morning. After spending the night in the Coney Island police station, Magistrate O'Neill suspended sentence, after vigorous pleading on the part of Bert Jonas, their manager, and permitted them to move to the next stand, Haverstraw, N. Y.

The disorderly actions of the troupers are said to have been precipitated by overindulgence.

After the final show Sunday the performers arranged a celebration which lasted into the wee hours. After the celebration they are said to have gone along Surf avenue bowling over stands and other obstacles in their path.

Before they had proceeded far in the wrecking campaign or had done any great damage, they were apprehended by the police and escorted to the hoosegow.

The prisoners gave their names as Albert Mader, Leon Cassidy Walter Hull, Walter Peterson, Albert Dean, William Baldwin, Margaret Mercer, Lydia Scott and John Gray.

RODEO AT UPTOWN

Runs Over Sunday, Closing Labor Day

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The Uptown Fair, sponsored by the Uptown Chamber of Commerce, opened yesterday with a rodeo, horse show and racing. It will continue over Sunday, closing Labor Day.

About 90 horses in all appear to be used in the rodeo, and quite a number of cowboys and cowgirls are in attendance, assuring a lively opening for the first annual event of the Uptown interests.

Bull-dogging, fancy and trick riding and other Western stunts feature the rodeo.

The fair is held at the polo grounds, at Lincoln avenue and Peterson road.

"Old Skip" Up for Trial

Decatur, Ill., Aug. 30.

"Old Skip," or Capt. J. H. Skipworth, faces five charges in connection with the murder of two men at Mer Rouge, La., whose mutilated bodies were found in Lake La Fourche in Louisiana. He, with 10 other Klansmen, will go to trial Oct. 1. He appeared at Shelbyville, Ill., in connection with a chautauqua. It was his first speaking engagement in the north.

Rides for Pictures

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

G. McNeeley has booked his merry-go-round with Universal City for a coming circus production.

Renting of rides in and about the studios is fast becoming a business hereabouts.

Northwest Conditions Not Encouraging

Des Moines, Aug. 30.

T. H. Canfield, secretary of the Minnesota State Fair, when here for the opening of the Iowa State Fair is said to have observed the drought and wheat rust has hit so many localities up his way this year that a record-breaking attendance does not dare to be looked for at the Minnesota fair, which opens Sept. 1.

PLEA FOR DOOMED BULL

Humaner Would Send Him Back to Jungle

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

"Charlie," the big elephant condemned to die, has found a champion in Portland, Ore., in Mrs. F. A. Swanton, manager of the Oregon Humane Society. She urges the beast be returned to South Africa.

The elephant's slaughter is scheduled for the climax of a thrill picture.

RINGLING DANCE

To Be Tendered Pacific Showmen's Association

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Ringling Brothers circus advance men are on the job early preparing for their five-day stand, opening Sept. 14.

Pacific Coast Showmen Assn., will give a dance to the Ringling Brothers circus at Eagles Hall following the opening night's performance.

BONNIE McCARROLL

Bonnie McCarroll retained her title as World's Champion Cowgirl Bronk Rider at Tex Austin's Rodeo, Yankee Stadium, New York, last week. The girl champion is the wife of Frank McCarroll, the cowboy champion, from whom she gained considerable knowledge in the art of bronk riding.

Mrs. McCarroll gained the title of World's Champion at the Austin Rodeo in Madison Square Garden, New York, after having successfully won the event at Cheyenne in July, 1922.

RECORD FAIR CROWD

New Olmstead Record of 18,921—May Not Meet Cost, but Satisfied

Rochester, Minn., Aug. 30.

Olmstead county's fair had a total attendance of 18,921, which smashes all records. John Peck, secretary, says the receipts may not quite equal the expenditures at hat, but that the management is well satisfied.

"We feel the fair has been put on the map," he says.

PREACHER IN TROUBLE

Rev. G. L. Morrill, of Minneapolis, Charged With Mailing Obsene Literature

Minneapolis, Aug. 30.

The Rev. G. L. Morrill, at one time chaplain of the national T. M. A. and known to many show people, was reported yesterday to have been indicted by the county grand jury here for sending obscene literature through the mails.

Mr. Morrill has been writing a series of articles for one of the "scandal sheets."

IOWA MAYOR DECLARES HALF HOLIDAY TO BOOST FAIR

Council Bluffs Event Starts Strong—20,000 Attendance on Big Day—Kennedy Shows Praised—Ideal Weather All Week—Press Comment Favorably

Council Bluffs, Ia., Aug. 30.

The Manitowoc County Fair will go down as one of the best in the event's history. The first day's business opened up strong. Thursday, known as Manitowoc Day, drew 20,000 people.

During the entire week ideal weather prevailed. The Kennedy shows, at the fair two years ago, returned. Both Manitowoc dailies reviewed the shows in flattering terms. Wednesday was known as Hamilton Day, when over 2,000 employees of the Hamilton Manufacturing Co., of Two Rivers, were the guests of Kennedy shows.

Thursday was Manitowoc Day, when, by order of the mayor, all business houses were closed at noon, thus bringing a record crowd to the grounds.

There was complete co-operation between the fair management and visiting showmen. Every opportunity was afforded them and the "Pike" was laid out to the best advantage. The attractions in front of the grandstand were brought to a close at such an hour as to allow patrons time to visit the midway. This attitude of considering amusements as a part of fair activity resulted in the shows eclipsing their record of two years ago, the management said.

Because of the contract with the Milwaukee State Fair it was necessary to split the shows this week, part, principally the rides, appearing at Milwaukee, and the balance of the show playing at Council Bluffs. The entire company is combining next week at the Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Nebraska.

L. A. CARNIVAL "WIDE OPEN"

Including "49 Camp"—At Venice, Calif., Sept. 1-4

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

A carnival will be held Sept. 1-4 to help swell the fund for home teaching of the blind. It will take place on the Sunset Pier, Venice, and everything will be thrown wide open for the occasion including "Days of 49 Camp."

Human Fly at Work

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 30.

The first human fly to appear in Central New York since the district was practically "closed" to such freaks following the death of a "fly" under contract to a movie concern, made his appearance in this city on Sunday and Monday. He was Floyd DeLong, of Johnstown. City authorities permitted the exhibition. DeLong proposes to tour through the territory.

Harry Harding and Ben Butler, the concession men of Sunset Pier, Calif., have purchased considerable real estate in Venice.

SHOW OWNER SKIPS

K. of C. and Acts Anxious to Locate Stewart

Muskegon, Mich., Aug. 30.

H. A. Stewart, of Chicago, who operated the H. A. Stewart shows here under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus council, has disappeared from the city. With Mr Stewart, the lodge committee says, went the week's receipts, while behind are about $1,500 in unpaid bills. The Knights of Columbus and the principals in about fifteen acts are searching for Stewart.

According to the contract, the lodge and the promoter were to split 50-50 after $3,500 had been taken in at the gate. Owing to bad weather and other causes the receipts reached only $2,200, and $1,200 was said to have disappeared with Stewart. The absence of Stewart was noticed shortly before the end of the performance the last night of the circus. Officers were appealed to to aid in the search for him.

Mrs. Stewart is still in Muskegon, but says she does not know the whereabouts of her husband.

The Knights of Columbus have voted to assume most of the obligations.

Troubles With Negroes on Lot

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Three negroes were jailed following a circus riot at Compton last week where the A. B. C. shows were holding forth. It is alleged the men were refused admittance while the show was in progress. They returned an hour later reinforced thirty strong, armed with clubs and other blunt weapons.

The circus employes immediately took the defensive and formed an impassable barrier until the Sheriff's squad arrived and restored order after arresting three of the mob.

New Fair Association

Mansfield, Mo., Aug. 30.

The farmers of Osage township in Cole county have voted to organize the Osage Township Community Fair Association, and John G. Englebrecht chosen as chairman. The association will include Osage Bend, Honey Creek and Wardsville. The fair is to be held in the early fall.

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WORLD'S WANTS FROM DEPT. OF COMMERCE

The Department of Commerce at Washington, in its weekly survey of the world's wants, issued for the benefit of manufacturers and jobbers, includes in its lists numerous articles handled by fair and carnival supply houses. In the latest issue Portuguese East Africa is mentioned as wanting cheap jewelry in quantities, and phonograph records are in demand in Switzerland.

To aid the American interests inquiries regarding exports may be sent to the branches of the Department of Commerce in Akron, Atlanta, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dallas, Dayton, El Paso, Fort Worth, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, Newark, N. J., Omaha, Pensacola, Pittsburgh; Portland, Ore.; Rich-Richmond, Va.; Rochester, San Diego and Syracuse. Other bureaus are: Baltimore, Export and Import Bldg.; Boston, 1801 Custom House; Bridgeport, Manufacturers' Association; Chattanooga, Southern Railway System; Chicago, Room 830, 76 West Monroe street; Milwaukee, Association of Commerce; New Orleans, 214 Custom House; New York, 734 Custom House; Norfolk and Newport News, Hampton Roads, Maritime Exchange; Philadelphia, 929-930 Witherspoon Building; St. Louis, 1210 Liberty Central Trust Co. Building; San Francisco, 306 Custom House; Seattle, 515 Lawman Building.

The Variety-Clipper Bureau in Washington will occasionally report on articles required for export for the benefit of its advertisers. It may be to the advantage of supply people to note the addresses of the Chamber of Commerce branches for further references.

OUTDOOR ITEMS

The Mike Centeni shows are playing a carnival date on the streets of Newark, N. J., this week under the auspices of a committee which is endeavoring to raise funds for a new Jewish hospital.

James Lent, for many years a concession man with carnivals, is now salesman for a cigar manufacturing concern.

The Dauphin carnival is playing at Sayville, L. I., this week under the auspices of the volunteer firemen. There are three rides, four shows and 25 concessions on the lot.

Lew Henry, owner of the Lew Henry carnival, has purchased a home in Mt. Clemens, Mich., and will establish winter headquarters for his shows and rides there.

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ON THE LOT

With NELLIE REVELL

St. Vincent's Hospital, New York

In the days not so long ago, all the big and little circuses were the bitterest of rivals. At present the competition is not quite so severe, due to the larger combinations and the careful splitting up of territory. But in the period of which I speak it was almost a fatal blow to any circus manager's professional pride to have a rival secure an "unparalleled attraction."

Harvey Watkins tells a story on Adam Forepaugh that well illustrates the spirit of those times. For years the Barnum and Bailey show had been bringing some sort of an act or other feature from Europe as a drawing card for the season.

For various reasons the Adam Forepaugh show, then in opposition, regularly received a trimming in this importation contest, though Adam regularly sent Sammy Watson, the old time clown, to search the continent for features. Europe would seem to Sammy to be entirely bare of anything out of the ordinary, but in the spring it would develop that the opposition had discovered something good.

Finally old Adam became desperate and sent his son, Addie, of whom he was very proud, over with Sammy. For several weeks he made the lives of his intimates miserable with his boasts of what Addie would show "them Barnum ducks." To have heard him talk, one would have thought that Addie was going to bring back nothing less than the King and Queen of England for the side show.

At last there arrived word from Addie in the form of a cable which read:

"Purchased two giant monks. Cable $5,000."

"Dagunnit," roared old Adam with exultation, "I knew Addie 'ud do it."

He sent the money without a moment's delay and along with it a demand on Addie for full particulars about the great apes. The press department received instructions to prepare big stories and flaming lithographs, descriptive of savage gorillas of tremendous size that the Forepaugh show would exhibit to the public the coming season.

Charley Day, the press man, and all the other officials of the circus were in the office the following morning, impatiently awaiting details from Addie, so that they could start their publicity campaign. Noon rolled around and still nothing was heard. Old Adam explained the delay by saying that undoubtedly Addie wanted to pay the money over and get everything settled before cabling. At last about 1 o'clock a messenger arrived, bearing in his hand a purple envelope, such as cables used to be delivered in.

"Ah," said Adam with satisfaction, "here's the cable from my boy. Now I guess we'll make them Barnum people play dead."

Adam was right about the cable anyway. It came from Addie and had this to say:

"Money received. Monkeys dead. Everything else all right."

A good story of the time, not so long ago, when St. Louis was a creamy town for show folks and the good fellows hung up there by the whims of fate were a joy to the theatrical rover, was retailed to me recently by James Jay Brady. At that time Mr. Brady was manager of the Century Theatre there and was accustomed to train around with a group that included Frank Dallam and Kinnie Underwood of the Post-Dispatch, Jerry Hunt of the Alton Railroad, Jim McTague, king of St. Louis restaurateurs, John Melloy of the Planters Hotel and a dozen others.

Lent was two days off and in a burst of religious fervor one of the intimates suggested they all keep Lent by abstaining from alcoholic stimulants for forty days and nights. They all shook hands on it and for five days all of them assumed a look of smug virtue to hide an inward thirst. Then the first one fell from grace and within the next couple of weeks all of them had been either caught in the act or had confessed voluntarily that the struggle had been too much for them.

At length there remained on the wagon only John Melloy. But his high color and watery eyes made Mr. Brady suspicious and he taxed the hotel man not only with not keeping the pledge but with not playing fair with the crowd by assuming an attitude of superior virtue.

"Well," said John, "if you must know, I did take a couple of drinks and then a few more and I'll tell you why I did it. For five or six days it didn't mean anything, but after that it began bothering me. At the end of the tenth day I began to worry a bit about it. The next day and the day after I was in a worse fix. It wasn't a fight to stay away from it. No, Sir, it was the other way around. I was afraid I could get along without it!"

Plenty of young elephants have been exhibited in this country as native-born Americans, but it is a matter of record that up to 1920 only two were actually born here. Of course it was always a paying thing for circuses to advertise their smallest "bulls" as having been born in the show's winter quarters but this was usually so only as far as the posters and the box-office were concerned. Of the two baby pachyderms who first saw the light in the United States, one was born with the Barnum show and the other with the old Cooper and Bailey outfit.

Mr. Barnum was caught napping for one of the few times in his long and varied life at the time of the birth of the Cooper and Bailey elephant. At the moment there existed a bitter rivalry between the two shows and just at the critical period the baby elephant opened its eyes with the Bailey aggregation. Mr. Barnum, quick to see the advantage this would give his competitor, wired an offer of $100,000.

Bailey saw the opening this gave him and, refusing the offer, waited until he had reached his rival's territory. There he plastered everything in sight with lithographs headed "What Barnum Thinks of the Baby Elephant," and reproduced Barnum's telegram. It brought immense business and for once Barnum had been beaten at his own specialty—publicity.

A lesson in enforced arbitration might well be learned by our striking labor unions from the story about Ed Burke and "Popcorn George" Hall, manager of the old Nickel Plate show.

Burke had been guilty of some minor infraction of the rules. The unwritten law of the show was that the limit on fines for dereliction of duty was five dollars. "Popcorn George," however, fined Burke ten dollars, and he protested.

"Nobody else around here ever gets fined more than five dollars. Why should you nip me for a ten-spot?"

"Oh, I'm just getting a 'fiver' ahead on you to be prepared for the next time you break the rules," replied the Boss.

Burke was so angry he left the lot, walked uptown and joined out with the Salvation Army. That afternoon when he couldn't be found, the Old Man sent out a scouting party to try and locate him. They were unsuccessful, but that evening, while the circus manager was sitting in the marquee waiting for the time to order the doors to be opened, he heard the music of an unfamiliar band. Sauntering to the street, he saw a group of Salvationists conducting a brass band meeting. In the midst of the band was Burke, in a Salvation Army uniform and beating the drum with all his might.

It required a half-hour's persuasion on the part of the Boss before he could persuade the recruit drummer that his path of duty and fortune lay with the circus and not with the Salvation Army. But what the joke-loving Burke was really aiming for, finally happened. "Popcorn George" cancelled the fine.

INSIDE STUFF

Fake Circus Agent

A clever swindle was worked on several Bucyrus, O., merchants recently, the day before a circus showed there. A stranger called in rapid succession on a dozen business houses, placing contracts for provisions and green groceries for the circus. Incidentally, he requested each merchant to engage a show banner on the elephants in the parade, at $7.50 per banner, payment to be made in advance. A number of the merchants paid the $7.50. They were surprised when the circus arrived here and they received no instructions where to deliver the provisions. Their surprise was increased when they did not see their banners on the elephants. The management of the circus said he knew nothing about the stranger nor of his arrangements.

This year the fairs are demanding big features in the way of entertainment for their day and night shows. Those with coliseums or auditoriums on their grounds where they give night entertainments are looking for revues and acts of the more pretentious caliber.

All of which points to the steady increase in the demand for the superior type of amusement.

Canal Zone Grafter

A carnival man who recently returned from a disastrous trip to Panama reports a new angle to the grafting game in one of the Zone cities. In this city there is a newspaper operated by a Frenchman. When the carnival opened the paper began to attack it. The owner, wanting to get the low-down, questioned an American, who told him to pay no attention. The morning of the fourth day someone tipped him off that the editor had to be seen. When the show tried to open for the day they found the city government had closed all the wheels and games and that the town was dead for them. The owner went to the editor and tried to straighten things out, but was told it was too late—he could not stop the action of the officials at that late date.

German Possibilities

Irving Tishman, who returned from a continental trip Friday on the "George Washington," reports Germany full of desirable talent for American show business. He opines that an American showman, knowing the exact demands for talent on this side, could dig up many desirable novelties abroad in six months.

Tishman went across, in company with Monroe Goldstein, his legal adviser, to bring back a troupe of 20 odd midgets, Paul Kronos, a strong man, and six German boxing girls. The midgets were detained for three days on Ellis Island pending a physical examination before being permitted to land.

Tishman has commmissioned a Berlin representative to advise him of any new prospects. The German showman volunteered to scour Teutonia if Tishman and his partner, Jimmy O'Neal, would remit $10 weekly regularly. At the current rate of exchange of 4,000,000 marks to the dollar, this represents a huge sum.

12 Days too Long

The riders at the Stadium Rodeo seemed to agree that a 12-day Rodeo with two performances a day is a real test for championship contests, where points are daily counted, but some also thought as a business proposition it might be too long a stay. New York is so big, though, they said it didn't make much dif-

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THE SMART SIDE

By PAM

A student of human nature will be interested if noting the different personalities revealed by watching the bowing of violinists in an orchestra, all playing the same melody and no two men optically in accord.

There are many "Lost Arts," also "Lost Sports." Prominent among the latter is polo. The motor car is mostly responsible for the lack of enthusiasm of "Young America" for this red blooded game. There is no testimony in favor of our reproducing another Devereux Milburn.

Entente Cordiale—A beautiful pictorial display of the musical comedy "Adrienne" in the Strand lobby.

There seems to be a vogue for the blank silhouette; there is not a more meaningless form of advertising. It is not even new and reminiscent of the paper cutting concessionaires of various amusement parks.

Of all the display ads throughout New York the most artistic are the commercial. A sad reflection on the theatrical press agent.

This has been a bad season for the electric fan. Hence the extra advertising sent out by the Edison and like corporations.

A most practical and safe skirt for the side saddle rider is the English hunting apron. There is no chance of this catching during a spill, and when walking, can be caught together so as to completely cover the breeches.

The greatest danger to the equestrian is a rearing horse. A guaranteed cure is for the rider to have in his pocket a bottle of water (thin glass). When the horse has its forefeet off the ground, break the bottle on the prominent bone between the ears. Sounds cruel but it is a permanent cure. The only alternative is to give the horse away, preferably to an enemy.

The new length for the side riding skirt is five inches above the instep. The English huntress is showing the stirrup foot and a generous view of the ankle when mounted.

England is the accepted authority on horsemanship in all its branches.

Pleated "Val" lace collars and cuffs have found their way to us combined with the heavier materials.

Some walking cane manufacturer is vainly trying to unload his stock. Otherwise we wouldn't see so many girls carrying them. It looks about three times as silly to see a woman carrying a cane as to see a man carrying one. A most useless affectation. Some alleged fashion pioneer may try to make the crutch popular.

A groom with one of the circuses negotiated some questionable hootch, having taken a chance on a transient bootlegger, with the result that in washing a snow white high school horse he mixed too generously Ricketts bluing fluid in an endeavor to acquire the desired spotless white. Consequently the equestrienne appeared that day on a lovely marine-blue animal.

Ruffles and flounces are seen in all Paris illustrations. It seems all the Parisian designers are advocators. Oodles of narrow bracelets will be affected this coming season. They give an Oriental touch, provocative of the jingle. The gowns for this season are not confined to any particular line as to skirt. Premet, Molyneux and Beer are showing the straight, narrow model, while Grouth, Paquin and Poiret are showing the full and in some cases hooped skirt.

If about to sail, call at your bank and find the rate of exchange on all foreign money if not understanding the published quotations; then buy American Express checks before leaving. Do not delay until on the ocean and have the purser do for you at his profit what you could have done yourself.

ONTARIO LIKES MANITOBA LAW; PRESENT ENFORCEMENT ABSURD

Referendum Expected by Canada's Most Populated Province—Light Wines and Beer May Be Voted For. Ontario Always Wet for Hard Liquor

Toronto, Aug. 30.

The enforcement of prohibition in Ontario, Canada's most populated province, is so absurd government officials intend a policy of sane and sound aadministratino of the law.

Insiders here say the government practically promised to put the wet and dry matter up to the people in a referendum if the citizens of the province express a desire to again put the liquor question to a vote.

The referendum will be for light wines and beers on the same basis as the Manitoba law enacted when the election last May on a wine and beer platform under government control resulted in a vote of 20 to 1 in favor of the bill. That was after Manitoba had tried prohibition four years.

Ontario will always be wet in the matter of hard liquor. There is just as much booze about now as ever but much of it is of the moonshine brand.

10,000 Stills Correct

There is no doubt hereabouts as to the authenticity of Clipper's recent story that Canada has 10,000 illicit stills making bad whiskey. The "bottled in bond" stuff is being sent over the border into the States and the new distillations are being sold here. There are arrests occasionally but it is suspected the police are nabbing "pinks" known to have been directed to blind tigers.

Ontario does not want the bars back. People here want the privilege of going to a liquor store and being sure of what they are buying. That is the natural result of the methods of bootleggers and the bad liquor peddled. Light wines and beer will suffice to correct much selling of illicit whiskey, it is believed, and hard liquor sold in government stores under government rules would follow.

Minneapolis, Aug. 30.

The renewal of rum-running activities on the border between Manitoba and Minnesota is causing federal prohibition officers much concern.

As the neighboring Canadian provinces voted wet, S. B. Quale, Minnesota state director, is handicapped in his enforcement program. He is limited in the number of agents allotted to this district.

Rum runners from the Twin Cities, Chicago and Omaha, are gathering to start the flood of liquor across.

The first arrest occurred when the conductor on a Great Northern diner was caught with eight bottles of Scotch.

Georgia Won't Repeal

Washington, Aug. 30.

A law repealing the prohibition amendment will never be passed in the State of Georgia is the belief of officials here, who report that the Arnold bill there was defeated and the Senate body of the State passed a resolution of disapproval of the bill.

The federal agents in Georgia report that the publicity of the measure has aided the fight being made, lessening the manufacture of whisky and improving conditions generally.

NEW GRAND STAND

Ready for Fair at Topeka September 10-15

Topeka, Aug. 30

The new grandstand will be open when the fair starts here Sept. 10-15.

The grandstand is 385x90, with 30 tiers of seats. An overhanging roof extends 40 feet beyond the front edge of it.

On the second floor are two exhibit rooms 138x40. The stand is equipped with a lighting system. It cost $200,000.

Attendance at the Kansas Free Fair last year was over 200,000. It is expected to exceed that number this year. The Con T. Kennedy shows will furnish the midway.

BOOZE MAKER AND RUNNER ELOPES

Deserts Wife Second Time for Same Girl—Believed to Be in New York

St. John, N. B., Aug. 30.

Dave O'Keefe, one of the whisky smugglers on the Maine and New Brunswick border for the past five years, is not in his usual haunts.

O'Keefe, who was formerly a teamster eking a bare livelihood for himself, wife and childrep, started the manufacture and smuggling of alleged whisky. In due time he prospered so he bought a touring car for himself, another for his wife, a two-family house and a stable of harness horses. He has been racing the horses on the half-mile tracks of the maritime provinces and eastern Maine.

O'Keefe has now eloped with one of his affinities, and is "somewhere in New England or New York." This is his second elopement with the same woman, a candy factory employe of St. John, N. B. The first elopement proved a fizzle because of the activity of a clergyman, who at the behest of the mother of the girl interested himself in the situation. Prior to the first elopement, the clergyman sought to dissuade O'Keefe from taking the girl away. The clergyman made a surprise visit at O'Keefe's summer home near St. John, and found O'Keefe and the girl there. The bootlegger threatened to assault the clergyman and called the man of the cloth some very foul names.

Clergyman Gives Information

The clergyman, on learning O'Keefe and the girl had left in O'Keefe's car for Boston and New York, got in touch with the United States immigration authorities. The consequence was that the car was refused entry to the United States by the immigration authorities. Attempts were made to get the car over the line into Maine, and then into Vermont, and later into New York State. The elopers did cross the line into New York State, but were overhauled by police near Saranac Lake. They returned to St. John. O'Keefe sent the girl to Boston by train, and he followed with the car loaded with booze, which he disposed of in Boston. The man and woman are now together in New York City.

O'Keefe's wife in St. John is making no attempt to have her husband arrested, but the girl's relatives are active in seeking her return. Her mother is broken hearted. In the meanwhile, O'Keefe is not supervisin g his whisky manufacturing.

Women Democrat Leaders 25 to 7 for Existing Laws

The "Christian Science Monitor," in a straw vote interrogating the 48 members of the National Committee of Women, received 35 replies. Of these 25 declared against any change in the amendment of Volstead act; for modification there were 7; 3 were noncommittal.

The states from which opposition appeared were Arizona Colorado, Connecticut, Maryland, Michigan, Montana and Wyoming.

Beer at Picnics

Syracuse, N. Y. Aug. 30.

Plenty of beer and ale but very little "hard liquor," are enlivening picnics, factory field days, firemen's conventions and similar functions, according to Frank E. Sayer, in charge of Prohibition enforcement in the Syracuse district.

Must Renew Liquor Permits Saturday

The wheels are being greased for the bootleg doctor, according to new regulations for the renewal of liquor permits for physicians, druggists, veterinarians and other users of alcohol in their professions, announced by Jesse W. Clarke, collector of internal revenue.

All liquor permits must be renewed before Sept. 1, for the year 1924. This will eliminate the long delays occasioned in previous years when physicians and druggists were unable to obtain approval for permits until long after the old one had expired.

STILL ERECTED NEAR EXPO. GROUNDS

Federal Officers Destroy It —Impression It Was Lcoated to Cater to Fair Patrons

Burlington, Vt., Aug. 30.

Whiskey for the thirsty fair patrons was evidently the aim of the owners of a large still which was found near this city the early part of the week. The still, which is one of the biggest found here in some time, was located some distance back from the Champlain Valley Exposition grounds. It was well concealed in a ravine about 10 yards in width and about 20 feet deep. At the end of the ravine the bank sloped sharply upward to the level of the surrounding territory. At the foot of this steep bank was a spring of clear cold water. About 20 feet from this spring the moonshiners had constructed their shack to make their whiskey.

Eight barrels of wheat mash were arranged conveniently close to the still and was in varied states of fermentation. The still itself consisted of a copper tank about three feet square and two feet high surmounted on two three-burner oil stoves. Running from the top of the copper tank was a pipe which led to a coil a short distance down stream. This coil was in another tank through which flowed a stream of cool water. At the end of the coil was a large shut-off cock. Beneath the cock was placed a large wooden tun to catch the moonshine fresh from the distillery. A number of large milk cans and several bags of wheat were laying nearby.

After watching the still all day and part of the night federal and county officers destroyed it.

The officers feel that the still was designed to furnish a supply of moonshine for the Champlain Valley Exposition, which opens soon and that by locating and destroying it they have assured a shortage of the forbidden beverage when the fair opens.

Saturday Night Drunks Fill Court Monday

Washington, Aug. 30.

This old capital of ours had a grand time of it Saturday night! To prove this 60 cases, with intoxication the charge, were called Monday before Robert E. Mattingly sitting in the police court. This comes close to creating a record, at least for a considerable time, and kept the court busy practically the entire day.

All walks of life were represented, both white and black, and those of high and lowly station, and incidentally many kinds of whiskey were blamed for their encounter with the law.. Ten dollars was the average fine.

The majority pleaded guilty. The first offenders Judge Mattingly was lenient with, and there were also many who did not respond when called, thus forfeiting their collateral.

"WETS" GOING AFTER KEY STATES; MEAN BUSINESS

Aggressive Plans to Turn Tables on Anti-Saloon League With Most Favorable Conditions Since Amendment Passed

The Association Against Prohibition, reviewing the results of the last election and several changes in Congressional committees through deaths and other circumstances, views the present situation as the nucleus of a possibly favorable attack against the bone-dry wave which has become regarded as invincible.

At a caucus in Washington this week the association made plans for aggressive part in the forthcoming presidential and congressional campaigns, just as the Anti-Saloon League does and for years has done, to include propaganda, personal activity and financing from funds collected for the purpose any "wet" candidate who has a chance.

The fight will be concentrated in Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin and California, all important states and all known to be against Volsteadism in popular sentiment, expressed recently in one form or another. These states have about 45 per cent of the national population and are key states.

Repeating Wine and Beer Plank.

That the Mullan-Gage repeal at Albany, despite a majority of the state press outspoken against Gov. Smith, has been a driving wedge, is indicated by the probability that the State Democratic organization will repeat the wine and beer bill plank on which Smith was elected in the next platform. Chairman Hall of the State Committee and Secretary Ryan of Tammany Hall, in a conference with the Governor, ratified the plan.

Prohibition will be up before the next legislature in Albany, also. Louis A. Cuvillier, father of the enforcement repeal, returns to the legislature. He will introduce further liberal measures, and they are regarded as having a great chance.

COMEDIAN'S NEW SPEAK-EASY LOCATION

Moves from Side Street to Avenue and Secures Bigger Patronage

The speak-easy operated by a comedian who will shortly go into a musical revue on the same street where the show will play has been moved to a main thoroughfare, where it is installed in a store instead of a private house.

The location is only three-fourths of a block from the theatre where he will play and the comic insists the location is more ideal for the business. He claims that the folks from his show who will visit the place will have a chance for more privacy than at the other place, as there is a spacious back room in the establishment.

As his show has not begun rehearsals yet the comedian is on hand to aid his partner in greeting the customers every afternoon and evening and partake with them the beverages they buy for him.

PROHIBITION PAGES

CANADIAN COMMISSION ISSUES NEW SLIP

Pasted on Original Wrapper and Asks Purchaser to Destroy It

Quebec, Can., Aug. 30.

The Canadian Liquor Commission is issuing a printed slip with every bottle of liquor encased in the commission's official wrapper.

"Please destroy this wrapper" is the injunction printed on the bit of brown paper.

Just what the object is isn't clear, since the commission wrapper has been freely forged through duplication. Once opened in a casual manner to remove the bottle within the wrapper is automatically destroyed.

Puiglist Bootlegging

Malone, N. Y., Aug. 30.

Bert Schneider, Montreal boxer, who was one of Jack Dempsey's sparring partners on the champ's three-weeks tour of the Dominion last year, was nabbed by Federal dry sleuths while driving a machine alleged to co.tain 250 quarts of assorted liquors. The arrest was made near Chateaugay.

Alexander Bulloch, also of Montreal, was likewise nabbed on a Volstead Act charge, and both men were held under bail for the action of the Federal Grand Jury at Schenectady next month.

Police After Hip Flasks; Managers Co-operating

Lima, O., Aug. 30.

Police Friday night declared war on the hip pocket flask, and arrested four young men at a dance hall on charges of possessing liquor.

Dance hall and amusement park managers are co-operating in an effort to break up the practice, which has said to have grown to astounding proportions.

Police will be stationed at all dance halls and amusement parks in an effort to prevent carrying of liquor. Any one with liquor laden breath will be searched, according to Police Chief Lanker.

No Disturbance On Circus Day

Mattoon, Ill., Aug. 30.

No complaints!

No phone calls regarding disturbances!

No drunks!

Not a single arrest all day!

That is the sum of circus day (Sells-Floto) by Chief Portlock of the Police Department.

He says: "It shows what is possible without booze."

DRY DUST

Onondaga County, N. Y., (Syracuse district), leads the state in dry violation fines, having run up $47,650 under the Mullen-Gage law.

Federal prohibition directors will watch training camps, by request of military authorities, throughout the nation this summer, against bootlegging.

The campaign against stills is raging in Maryland, and in Baltimore the fire department is after them, as well as the police.

In Atlantic City the police ordered all cabarets shut at 2 a. m. When the cafe men protested to the mayor that they couldn't live if they complied, he advised them to go into some other business.

More than 1,400 gallons of greenish-yellow liquids, good hootch and bad, will be dumped into city sewers in pursuance to orders of the U. S. courts at the session just ended.

Federal agents raided a chemical works at East Bound Brook, N. J., and confiscated eight truckloads of alcohol, claiming that the plant was engaged in a process of restoring denatured alcohol to commercial stuff usable for beverage purposes.

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OWNERSHIP OF AIR BROUGHT UP BY U. S. THROUGH LIQUOR

Government Will Take Steps to Stop Alleged Scheme of Transporting Booze Through Ether—Route From Vancouver via Alaska Panhandle—International and Common Law Bearing—"Three-Mile Limit" Again

Variety-Clipper Bureau,
Evans Bldg.,
Washington, Aug. 30.

The ownership of the air and possibly a "three-mile limit" up in the ether may have to be threshed out by the government in the alleged intention of transporting liquor from Vancouver over the Alaska panhandle to the [illegible]on.

It is reported here the Provincial Liquor Board in Vancouver has such a plan before it for airplanes.

As a block the Treasury and State Department officials are consulting international and common law. Common law has held (with some modification) that ownership of land extends beneath and above, while international law is to be applied with reference to navigation in the air.

Another Phase

Other means are being considered to forestall the aerial scheme, this being another phase of prohibition enforcement that arises to further complicate matters between the States and Canada.

Government officials are noncommittal as to the exact procedure they hope to employ. Prohibition enforcement leaders profess assurance means will be found.

The recent U. S. Supreme Court decisions on liquor on ships and in other actions are expected to enter.

"Three-Mile" Aspect

It is the "three-mile" aspect of navigation and control that some in the capital say will come up if an issue is made of liquor by air. While there is no question, they say, over the point where liquor may be landed if on U. S. soil, international law may be called upon to interpret whether interference is permissible by this government of airships flying over 15,000 feet above the ground. The altitude record is much beyond that height, and fliers frequently travel in high strata when making speed and distance.

$1,000,000 BONDS ON LOT WORTH $1,000

Many Liquor Actions Resting on Same Bail

Bail bonds aggregating around $1,000,000 are said to have been given on a piece of property in Brooklyn, N. Y., worth $1,000, in its present unimproved condition.

The property has been used for bonds and bail, according to the story in liquor prosecutions. The customary bail set in the cases is $1,000.

RICH GRAPE GROWER THROWS UP SPONGE

Theodore Gier of Oakland, Cal., passed through New York, Panama bound, and thence on a two-year trip around the world. Gier is a millionaire. He had just gotten out of jail, where he did 90 days on a Volstead Act violation. Gier said he still had 150,000 gallons of old Napa County wine at home but would let it "rot"—he says he is through trying to fight the inevitable. He will convert his magnificent vineyards to orchards.

WHY THE W. C. T. U.?

The Poughkeepsie, N. Y., district has taken off the tax-exemption of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, claiming that prohibition is complete and the organization is now "superfluous."

The matter will be legally contested, the "U" claiming to be a "religious and charitable" organization, and that its hardest work is just beginning—teaching the nation respect for the dry laws.

PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT

Savannah—The largest and most powerful bootleg ring in America has been nailed here, with wholesale arrests exceeding 40 and including many of the best-known citizens of the state, though a former grocery clerk was the executive head of the outfit.

Wheeling—One of the most notorious of moonshine nests in the wild mountains of Pendleton County, known as the "Smoke Hole," where many "revenooers" have been assassinated, has been successfully raided and four members of the Cal Wilson gang are in federal custody. Hundreds of gallons of white mule and mash were destroyed.

Trenton—Gov. Silzer has demanded from all prosecutors and police chiefs in the state full information on prohibition arrests, complaints, etc., through a mimeographed questionnaire. He refuses to discuss his motive. Gov. Silzer is regarded as rather wet than dry.

Buffalo—In the first hearing of its kind since the recent Supreme Court decision which held violators of the Volstead act must be given hearings before penalties are levied against them, the government asked adjournment to fortify its case, which was pretty leaky.

St. Louis—The new state dry law is being "interpreted" in many cases, with the probability that violations will not be judged felonies and several other new 'teeth" will be nullified.

Baltimore—This state has no enforcement act, and it seems the Anti-Saloon League is concentrating on a fight for one here, badgering all candidates with questionnaires on wet and dry, and flooding the state with literature.

Washington—A decision of 1804 (Church vs. Hubbart) is quoted as establishing that the government may seize foreign vessels "hovering" at any distance from our shores for illicit purposes.

FREAKS OF PROHIBITION

Mayor Breitenbach of Newark, replying to the World League of Prohibition, says his town had 369 alcoholic cases in 1918 and 1,685 in 1922. Four years of prohibtion multiplied by four and one-half the insanity and sickness cases due to alcohol. In five months this year the cases registered 970, pro rating 2,328 for this year—six and one-third as many as in 1918.

Federal agents in Philadelphia raided the owner of two baskets of booze. He proved he had bought them at a "blind" auction of unclaimed goods held by the police.

London jewel merchants say the diamond demand in the United States has greatly increased since prohibition. The import of tea here, England says, has also gone up.

A Michigan circuit court judge says from the bench: "No man can

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THE RUM RUNNERS

No Jail Accommodations

Down in Worcester county, on the eastern shore of Maryland, the local county commissioners have refused to keep Federal prohibition prisoners in the local jail. Refusal of the United States Government to defray the charges made by the county for the sustenance of prisoners caused this action to be taken.

Prior to this Federal prisoners caught in raids were held in the county lockup, in some cases for as long as 60 days, while awaiting sentence, according to R. N. Stagg, president of the county commissioners. Because of the expense incurred in holding them, a charge of 50 cents daily for sustenance and 25 for "turnkey" service was made against the government.

Now only one or two days may elapse before the county insists upon the removal of prisoners to another jail, where the officials aren't so insistent that the Government pony up for the expense of keeping Mr. Volstead's enemies.

Cars Under Hammer

Twenty-one bootleg cars were sold at public auction in Platsburgh, N. Y., last week. Eighteen went one day for about $5,500 and three the next day for $585. A Dodge sedan brought $830, the highest price paid for any machine. A Packard touring car was sold for $235, a Chandler went for $190, and a Hudson for $160. A Cadillac was among the other machines sold.

A total of 82 cars used in the transportation of "liquor" have been seized by prohibition agents working out of Malone under the direction of Robert D. Angell since last May. The aggregate value of the cars can not be accurately estimated, but it is said to be over $100,000. Some of the machines are new and of expensive makes; others are old and inexpensive. They're about as motley an array as one could get together.

Kansas City's New Angle

With both the police department and the United States Attorney's office conducting intensive campaigns in Kansas City against violators of the prohibition laws, a new and interesting angle has developed.

The police have in the past few weeks raided 112 places, confiscated liquor and destroyed stills. This work, according to the police department, has simply played into the hands of the bootleggers, and those places which have escaped the raids. The ones who have escaped have profited, and with the supply diminished and the demand normal the market has been flooded at increased prices.

Police Commissioner Louis Oppenstein, owner of the Globe Theatre, said "The bootleggers have an association as active as our Merchants' Association, and are alert to take advantage of the situation.

One raiding squad is reported being approached by a group of bootleggers who offered the police a bonus for every still confiscated. "They want to get a corner on the whisky market. The raids have

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SELL HOOCH TO SOLDIERS IN HOSPITAL

Dr. Soper Asks Gun Permit for Protection

Washington, Aug. 30.

The bootleggers who it is claimed have been supplying the soldier patients at Perryville, Md., with whiskey are out to "get" Dr. S. W. Soper, manager of the two veterans' hospitals located there, for his activities in bringing about the recent raids on their members. Dr. Soper has already applied to the Governor of Maryland for a permit to carry a gun for his protection, which request the Governor stated he had not the authority to grant, and the next move on Dr. Soper's part may be a request for protection from the Department of Justice here in Washington.

Ten places have been raided in answer to a request made a month ago by the doctor to Commissioner Haynes, Federal Prohibition Commissioner. Agents sent out by the Commissioner found sufficient evidence to justify these raids, one place in particular being the race track directly opposite the two hospitals, the raids all being made in Havre De Grace, Md.

The patients at the hospitals are all there for mental treatment. When it was found that even these raids did not stamp out the selling of the bootleg stuff to the soldiers, further aid was requested by Dr. Soper. This last request was met by threats from the bootleggers that they would get the doctor and get him quick if he didn't let them alone.

That the makers of the threats meant business was made evident about a week ago when one of the patients of the hospital then over in Havre De Grace was mistaken by one of alleged ring of bootleggers, who had been arrested in the raids made, for the surgeon. The patient was fired upon by the man, receiving a nasty wound through the hip.

It was following this affair that the surgeon in charge of the hospitals made his request to the Governor to permit him to carry a revolver for his personal protection.

Conditions are such that Dr. Soper fears that the residents will forget all about the law and proceed to clean up the alleged camp of bootleggers themselves. It is because of these conditions that the surgeon is being urged by his friends to appeal to the Department of Justice for protection and the right to carry a gun.

400 Insane Patients

It is pointed out that in one hospital alone there are some 400 insane patients. Of these fully 75 per cent. are at times in such a normal condition of mind that they are permitted paroles outside of the grounds. These men, if let alone and not excited by drink or other means, are perfectly harmless. It has gotten to be the usual thing for these patients to go to Havre de Grace across the river and easily secure all the liquor they desire, much of it being "moonshine." The drinking of the stuff, states the surgeon, might easily make a raving maniac out of any of the men and might result in murder.

With the news of the conflict with the bootleggers comes the announcement from the White House that Brig. Gen. Charles E. Sawyer chairman of the Federal Board of Hospitalization, is now manager of the United States Veterans' community at this same place, Perryville. General Sawyer, former personal physician to the late President Harding, succeeds Lieut. Col. E. A. Shepherd in this particular post.

MUGGING DRY AGENTS

A New York firm is offering at $1 each, the photographs of practically every federal enforcement agent in America, or any territory. Circulars are promoting the proposition.

The photos are on cards that look like Rogues' Gallery tickets, with age, height, weight, etc., noted in spaces below.

DEALERS SAY SCOTCH GOING TO $35

Booze Coming Down—"No Demand"—Bootleggers

With Scotch whiskey now quoted at $45 a case in New York City, dealers in the illicit liquor traffic venture to assert New York will yet and shortly see Scotch at $35 a case.

When Scotch reaches $40 or under, the "drug store racket" will end. The drug stores have been selling it at the rate of $42 a case by the quart on prescription.

A break occurred in the general list of prices this week through light demand, according to the bootleggers.

The biggest drop was in good rye, from its former quotation of $100 a case, to $84. This virtually closed up the demand for unreliable rye that had been held at $80.

High and Dry Gin is cleaning up the gin requests at $24 a case. Sauterne took a drop of $5, to $40.

Some "cut-throating" price breaking is reported between the bootleggers, but it has not extended far enough to be of benefit to the casual liquor purchaser of small lots or single cases.

The increased demand for beer and ale is markedly noticeable.

Scotch Pre-Prohibition

Shortly following the prohibition era, the price of Scotch was $35 a case, at that time genuine, with dealers believing it best for them to be ridden of all stock on hand. Scotch then leaped upward until $125 was a standard market quotation with such brands as pinch bottle going as high as $175 a case.

As Scotch whiskey commenced to flow into the States from all sections with many distillers giving no attention to other liquor, the price commenced to dwindle. It was predicted in the early spring Scotch might reach $50 a case during the summer. It hit $50 some weeks ago. From the same sources come the latest belief, that it is going to $35, less than a 100 per cent. increase over pre-prohibition prices.

The present liquor market quotations in New York are:

(Case, 12 bottles)

Scotch	$45
Rye (guaranteed)	84
High and Dry Gin	24
Champagnes	80
Cuban Absinthe	108
Cordials	125
Bicardi Rum	35
Sauternes	40
Sherry	25
Ale (barrel)	45
Beer (barrel)	25

VOICE OF PRESS ON PROHIBITION

Boston "Traveler"—The bootleg ring willingly would contribute to the campaign of dry fanatics, for once beer can be legally sold the business of the bootleggers will be ruined.

Newark "News"—It would be interesting to learn just whose political ambitions motivates the drive against liquor sellers.

Manchester (N. H.) "News"—Ford's contention that prohibition is a dead issue is perhaps right—but enforcement is a problem growing livelier every day.

Washington "Post"—No State in the Union is strong enough to nullify a Federal law.

Wilkes-Barre "Leader"—The prohibition amendment may well cry: "Save me from my friends!"

Albany "Journal"—Non-enforcement of the prohibition law is a

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WORLD'S CHAMPION BULLDOGGER ADMITS HE'S NOT THE BEST

Yakima Canutt Explains How and Why He Won Title Away from His Pal, Frank McCarroll, Who Would Like to Get It Back

Frank McCarroll, world's champion bulldogger until last week, when Yakima Canutt won the title from him at the Yankee Stadium, was calling on friends Monday along Broadway accompanied by no other than the redoubtable Yak himself. They are bosom pals and have been for years. Yak had to help Frank along on account of the latter's broken ribs, incurred at the stadium last week. He is walking around with his busted diaphragm where an ordinary individual would be in a hospital. McCarroll is in a plaster cast and says that is all the doctoring he needs.

A great big fellow, he is reportershy and has not much to say for himself, but Yakima, usually silent as the Sphinx about himself, waxed voluble when telling of the gameness and other good qualities of his buddy, Frank.

Yak said: "I won the world's steer wrestling championship all right, but I want to say it was more by luck (good for me, bad for Frank) than through my superiority. Frank McCarroll was away ahead of me in time when the jinx hit him. He had thrown seven steers and his average time was 31 seconds. I won with an average of 49 seconds. That speaks for itself.

"Frank had his eighth steer licked and on the way when the steer got his feet tangled up in the mat covering center field and he stumbled over in the opposite direction from which Frank was throwing him. Before Frank could switch his weight the steer went down on his head and his horns just crushed Frank's side and caved in three ribs. That put him out of the contest, but nevertheless he tried to come back after laying off two days.

Yak Talks of McCarroll

"Frank started Saturday to throw five steers, broken ribs and all, to make up for lost time. The first steer he tackled (not a bad one, either) Frank bulldogged for two minutes, then his cast broke and the pain of his broken ribs forced him to let the steer loose. This was proof to me Frank was suffering plenty, because I know him. The steer which he could not throw in two minutes I later threw in 30 seconds. On the other hand, two days before Frank had thrown a mean steer in 25 seconds which it had taken me 91 seconds to bulldog. So, you see, if Frank had got an even break he would still be champion.

"Of course, I am proud to hold the world's championship, but I know I only hold it on sufferance, for Frank is really the best bulldogger in the world. I would gladly hand it back to him if I could see my buddy fit and well again."

How is that for good American sportsmanship?

McCarroll is an all-around athlete, a boxer and wrestler. In between rodeos it keeps him busy filling the engagements booked for him by Yakima. McCarroll won the middleweight championship of the Pacific coast in 1915 by defeating Frank Farmer, and in the same year boxed a six-round draw with Mike Gibbons in Kansas City. Among those he has defeated in wrestling is Gobar, the giant Hindoo who gave Strangler Lewis such a hard tussle for the belt a couple of times. He won from Gobar in Garden City, Kans.

Frank holds the official record for fast time in throwing a steer, 7⅘ seconds, at a rodeo in Parsons, Kan., in 1921. The previous record was 9 seconds, held by Slim Casky (one of the contestants at the stadium last week) and was made at Fort Worth, Texas, in 1920.

When goaded and cajoled to say something about himself McCarroll finally got out with an effort:

"Well, you can say I've got some of the very finest horses in the country, and absolutely the best wife. That's all." And Bonnie blushed.

FRANK McCARROLL

Bulldogging at Yankee Stadium last week. Former world's champion, eliminated from contest through having had three ribs broken.

FIGHT TICKETS HELD AT $125 A PAIR

Sale Started — Tricky Tickets Uncovered by Specs

Tickets for the Dempsey-Firpo fight went on sale in the Broadway ticket agencies Monday immediately following the granting of new licenses to the champion and Doc Kearns, his manager. High prices were quoted from the jump, with one pair of choice ringside locations sold for $125 a pair.

There is no question that the demand for the heavyweight championship battle far exceeds that for two other star matches which precede it despite the fact that inner fight circles give Firpo only an outside chance of copping. For the second time this summer New York is to have a cycle of three important boxing bouts within a period of two weeks. The Johnny Wilson-Harry Greb match will be held tonight at the Polo Grounds. Next Wednesday Benny Leonard will defend his lightweight championship against Johnny Dundee, the new featherweight champ, at the Yankee Stadium, and the big bout will be held also at the Polo Grounds Sept. 14. The call for the Wilson-Greb battle is the lightest of the trio. It has a top scale of $10. The Leonard-Dundee ticket demand is fair, the prices being top at $15, while the Dempsey-Firpo prices are priced at $25 top.

Tricky Tickets

Tickets for the Dempsey-Firpo match are trickily gotten up. There are two sets of ringside seats in different colors, one set being priced at $22 (including tax), and the real ringside tickets are $27.50. The latter hold a double letter, denoting the row, while the $22 seats are stamped with a single letter. Heretofore when ringside sections take up the alphabet twice, the manner of marking tickets has been the reverse, with the double letter tickets calling for rear ringside locations.

The trick is expected to increase the sale of tickets, but ticket brokers immediately detected the stunt and advised favored patrons.

AVIATION FATALITIES

Two Americans Killed in Paris

London, Aug. 20.

This has been a bad week-end for aviation, although no bad casualties are reported in Great Britain. The famous French pilot, Leon Poulain, crashed with two American aviation students, Arthur Seep and his brother Joseph, near LeBourget. All three were killed.

At Bonn a military machine crashed, the pilot officer being killed outright, while his confrere died in a hospital shortly afterward.

At Athens two flying officers were burned to death in a crash which followed an accident to their motor.

Toreador Threatened By Angry Mob

Madrid, Aug. 30.

A crowd mobbed the famous toreador Gallo at Santador Sunday when spectators considered a bull fight illogically terminated. Gallo following Matador Velencia, who had been wounded, refused to kill the bull and left the arena.

The spectators swarmed into the ring, with the authorities protecting Gallo, who left Santandor secretly early the next morning under police escort despite his former popularity.

Sunday Auto Races Off

Youngstown, O., Aug. 30.

Auto races scheduled for Saturday and Sunday afternoon at Southern Park were not held Sunday as the result of a notice from Sheriff Lyden Saturday that he would make arrests if admission was charged. His action followed a protest from the churches.

Promoters, after receiving the notice, announced the races would be held Sunday with no admission, they relying on a collection for their revenue. They changed their minds, however, and decided not to hold the program Sunday afternoon.

BALTIMORE RODEO PROMOTERS INVITE LOCAL CONTESTANTS

Affair in Progress This Week Includes Many Riders From New York Rodeo—Receipts Go to Military Organization for Clubhouse Fund

Baltimore, Aug. 30.

Baltimore's own rodeo started Monday at Gentlemen's Driving Park and is sceduled to continue throughout the week. It is being given for the benefit of the Baltimore Post of the 29th Division Association.

It is the biggest thing of its kind ever pulled off here and many of the cattle and horses used were brought down from Tex Austin's outfit which closed at the Yankee Stadium in New York Sunday. Special arrangements were made for lighting the huge field at night and two performances are being given daily, with a $1 gate prevailing.

Several dozen steers and calves, as well as several wild mules have been produced locally in addition to the importations. Bronk riding, bull dogging, calf roping, steer riding, trick riding, fancy roping, wild mule riding, as well as work by several cowgirls, feature the show, which runs for more than two hours. Chariot and Roman races are added features, as well as fast races with horses which have been in training at the park for some time.

Local riders have been invited to come in on the rodeo, and Cheyenne Kiser, formerly of Arizona, but now of Baltimore and who won several bull dogging prizes at the New York show, will be on hand here. Cliff Wilson, of Kimball, S. D., and a band of seven riders, including an Indian and Mrs. Ray Westcott, arrived four days ago, with twelve horses and a number of long ho ned steers. White Angel, the pride mount of the outfit, will give exhibitions of jumping over a touring car.

Horses Arrive Monday.

Tommy Kirnan and a band of riders, with seventeen horses and steers, arrived from New York for the Monday night performance. This is another contingent that came into the New York prize money. With the party is Mrs. Kirnan, champion woman trick rider; Chick Hannon, Arizona Jack, Ray Brown, Rattlesnake Red Mullins and others. Marie Gibson, another New York rider, is expected to arrive and remain for the week, while the latter part of the week is expected to bring several others from the Western ranches. The riders have encamped in true style on the grounds and are cooking their own grub, while the wild stock is being grazed in nearby fields.

The Monday matinee crowd was fair while the night crowd was better. The Evening Sun newsboys' band was on hand the first day and the papers were liberal with their space, which is all figured to help. They contemplated a day to day covering of the affair, which is being staged to raise funds for a clubhouse.

BOOKIES LOST AT SARATOGA MEETING

Not Success Financially—Gambling Houses Expensed Themselves of Profit

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 30.

This August meeting of the Saratoga race track will end to a financial disappointment at the track and the bookmakers' sorrow.

Saratoga has been looked upon as the nearly pull out meet for the bookies, no matter how it may have broken for them previously on the metropolitan tracks. This meet, however, has been a reversal of the usual play with the layers getting the money.

Track attendance has been light on week days, picking up only on Fridays and Saturdays.

The gambling houses open during the race season are also leaving town with no one's money. Their overhead more than ate up the profits.

St. James and Happy Thoughts were the only two-year olds to stand out. Happy Thoughts is a filly from the west.

The Rancocas Stable that had nearly a clean sweep around New York before coming here with 61 horses in training on the grounds, won two races, both selling conditions.

LOIN CLOTH FAVORED BY GIRL SWIMMER

Tries Channel Swim With Scant Attire, but Turns Back on Account of Cold

London, Aug. 21.

Zetta Hills has set up another Channel swimming record by defying all convention and attempting the swim attired only in a loin cloth. After swimming for some distance the cold compelled her to put on the regulation dress. She made her attempt from Folkestone, Aug. 20, walking down to the beach and striking out for the French coast at seven o'clock. After nine miles she was compelled to give up the attempt. The weather was so bad that five other swimmers gave up their attempts without entering the water.

Three years ago Zetta Hills made an unsuccessful attempt to cross the Channel on a watercycle.

Tiraboschi, who broke Sullivan's Channel record, has been received in audience by the Italian Prime Minister, who informed him the King of Italy had created him a Knight of the Crown of Italy.

Fair Opened Sunday

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 30.

The opening of the Bluegrass State Fair here was inaugurated Sunday evening with a concert by Thaviu's 40-piece band and grand opera singers, an organization numbering forty members.

The fair includes the Zeidman and Pollie exposition show and wild animal circus.

Peter Manning's Attempt

Syracuse, Aug. 30.

It has been announced that Peter Manning, the world's greatest trotting horse, will make an attempt to lower a world's record on the opening day of the New York State Fair.

T. W. Murphy will drive the champion.

HOLDING LEONARD

Must Dispose of Contenders Before Acting

Benny Leonard says he has several contenders like Johnny Dundee, Jack Bernstein, et al., to satisfy before he can retire temporarily for the purpose of creating the title role of "Oh, Benny!" which the Selwyns have had for some time.

George Price meantime has communicated with Harry Thomashefsky, the author of the play, inquiring about his chances for the lightweight champ.

Collins' Lumber Bill

William J. McCarthy sold Johnny Collins, of the Keith office, $1,799.53 worth of lumber between June 3 and 25, last, for the erection of Collins' training camp and indoor and outdoor gymnasium at Summit, N. J. Collins did not remit and McCarthy took default judgment for the full amount plus interest against the defendant this week.

Carnival Man Hurt

Rochester, Minn., Aug. 30.

Roy Cummings, connected with the carnival at the fair grounds, was struck by an auto. One night in the hospital repaired the damage.

SPORTS PAGES

Foreign Polo Teams Are Here

Paris, Aug. 21.

The Indian polo troupe, known as the Tigers, of which the French player, Count Jean de Madre, is the captain, has sailed from Paris to compete in the Philadelphia and Meadow Brook championship trials. While admitting there are some strong teams in America, Count de Madre expects the Indian Tigers to capture the championship title. His team includes Major Atkinson, Col. Jaginder Singh and Major Jaswent Singh, winning several tournaments in England this year.

Another team of polo players, comprising Lt. Col. T. Melvill, Lt. Col. Denis Bingham, Major F. B. Hurndall, MajorV. N. Lockett and W. S. McCreery, left for three matches against an American army team at Meadow Brook on Sept. 3, prior to the international tournament.

The Philadelphia games commence Sept. 6, and at Meadow Brook Sept. 17. The teams are shipping 28 ponies, but owing to the dock strike in London last week the departure of the mounts was delayed. The Tigers team expects to remain in America until the end of October, bringing back the cup to Europe.

BULL CAUSES PANIC

Regulation Bull Shall Not Be Killed

Paris, Aug. 21.

During a Corrida in the arenas of Lices, at Fonrques, near Arles (France), last Sunday, the third bull, being baited furiously charged the bullfighters and attempted to jump over the barrier protecting the audience.

To save themselves, all the people employed in the "game" climbed the partition, which gave way under the weight and caused the seats in the vicinity to collapse.

Four persons were killed and over 30 seriously hurt.

This bullfight was permitted by the state authorities on condition the animals should not be killed, which did not prevent the matadors baiting the bulls to madness.

Fight Proposed Airdome

Port Arthur, Texas, Aug. 30.

Port Arthur's proposed airdome has been permanently enjoined by order of Judge Geo. C. O'Brien against A. C. Ferguson and others.

Residents fought the airdome on the ground that it would be a nuisance in the neighborhood.

NEW YORK'S FIRST OPEN AIR RODEO BROUGHT TO SUCCESSFUL CLOSE

Sunday Afternoon's Attendance Reached 24,000—Thrills and Championship Awards Win Approval of Audience—Tex Austin's 12-Day, Twice Daily Yankee Stadium Show

After surmounting innumerable obstacles, Tex Austin pulled off his Rodeo at the Yankee Stadium with gratifying financial results, as well as establishing his reputation as a first-class purveyor of clean, educational entertainment; and his riders, male and female, established theirs as clean-living, game sportsmen and women; all of which will count in dollars and cents at the box office the next time they appear in this city.

The show closed last Sunday, with the greatest number of narrow escapes and thrilling incidents of the entire series, but without any serious accidents. Nine of the boys are in Fordham Hospital, recovering from injuries sustained during the Rodeo, while several of the others and some of the girls are walking (and riding) around with splints and bandages.

Sunday afternoon there were over 24,000 paid admissions, while at night there was an attendance of between 14,000 and 15,000.

Afternoon Results

The afternoon events and results panned out as follows:

Bareback bronk riding — Chick Hannon, 1st; Charlie Johnson, 2d; Jack Brown, 3rd.

Fancy roping—Bob Calen, 1st; Tommy Kirnan, 2nd; Sam Garrett, 3rd.

Cowgirls bronk riding—Bonnie McCarroll, 1st; Mabel Strickland, 2nd; Ruth Roach, 3rd.

Calf roping—Ike Rude, 1st, 21 1/5 seconds; Ed McCarty, 2nd, 24 3/5 seconds; Phil Yoder, 3rd, 25 1/5 seconds.

Cowboys bronk riding with Saddle —Howard Tegland, 1st; Bob Askins, 2nd; Yakima Canutt, 3rd.

Cowboys relay race—Bill Hurley, 1st; Jack Brown, 2nd; Roy Kivett, 3rd.

Steer wrestling—Buck Lucas, 13 4/5 seconds, 1st; Lloyd Saunders, 23 4/5 seconds, 2nd; Paddy Ryan, 26 seconds. This was the fastest time of the contests.

Wild steer riding—Buck Lucas, 1st; Blondy Georges, 2nd; Red Sublett (one of the clowns), 3rd. In this event a steer threw Nowater Slim and tried to gore him, but Slim threw himself flat on the ground and the steer's horns brushed over him. The steer backed away and charged Slim again, while the spectators held their breaths in terror, but Slim remained flat on the ground (which required considerable nerve) as the steer tore at him. The other cowboys by this time reached the spot and drove the maddened longhorn away, but only for him to wheel around and charge them. Slim took advantage of this to jump to his feet and run for safety. A big sigh of relief went up from the crowd as they saw Slim was unhurt, and then cheers, shouts and hand clapping arose in volumes not surpassed in the Stadium even by a home-run clout by Babe Ruth. The cheers lasted until Slim had disappeared into the dugout, apparently the coolest person in the mob.

Steer's Hard Knock

The steer, thoroughly aroused, tore across the field and deliberately sprang at the wire netting in front of one of the left field boxes. This wire (after one steer getting into the grandstand) was reinforced, and though the steer hit it square in the middle the wire held the steer and threw him back into the field, fully 15 feet, right on his back. When he arose he was the most surprised and docile animal in the world, and he went meekly into the exit chute without further trouble. The roar of laughter which followed relieved the tension over Slim's danger a minute before.

The last event of the afternoon, the wild horse race, was won by Jock McDonald, Charlie Johnson 2nd and Jay Miller 3rd.

Credit for a laugh a minute must be given to the two clowns, Red Sublett and Tommy Douglas, who are genuinely funny comedians and pantomimists as well as being really excellent riders and ropers. Sublett is considered one of the best steer riders in the game, while Douglas is a fine bareback bronk rider. They kept the crowds amused all through the Rodeo. Slim Casky also did some clowning involuntarily. He dived off his horse to bulldog a steer, missed the steer, and nearly went through the center field sod. When he came back to the stand he was heard to say: "I thought I saw a steer there when I dived, but there wasn't any when I reached for him'." Slim, who is a great bulldogger, but has not ridden a bucking horse in seven years, must have jarred his brain in his fall, because later he insisted on riding a bucker, and the officials humored him. They assigned him Wild Cat, one of the best equine acrobats in Austin's string. Slim held on with his long legs, but it was a stormy day, and when he alighted his hat was gone and his shirt was half gone.

Dave White's Hard Luck

Dave White, who won the bronk riding championship at Madison Square last year and who has ridden every wild horse in the outfit up to today without a spill, and only needed to stay on today to again win the championship, had the bad luck to draw a devil horse this afternoon in Invalid and was thrown so high the audience was divided as to whether he was going up from a horse or coming down from an aero-

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RODEO CHAMPS APPROVE OF NEW YORK

Agree to Hold All World's Championship Events Here Under Tex Austin's Management

A meeting of cowboys and cowgirls who have just won world's championships at Tex Austin's rodeo at the Yankee Stadium was held at the conclusion of that event, and the present champions unanimously designated New York City as the ground on which all future world's championships shall be decided. They agreed not to appear in any other cowboy contest in New York but Tex Austin's annual rodeo, which will be recognized from now on as the official and only world's championship cowboy competition.

The following champions in their respective events signed this agreement: Yakima Canutt, Howard Tegland, Richard Merchant, Chester Byers, Bill Hurley, Frank McCarroll, Dan Whyte, Mabel Strickland, Bonnie McCarroll, Slim Casky, Shorty Kelso, Roy Quick, Jesse Coates, C. R. Williams, Buck Lucas, King Merritt, Jack Brown, Bryan Roach, Hugh Strickland, Tommy Kirnan Ed McCarty, Guy Schultz, Elmer Jones, Roy Kivett, Cheyenne Kiser and 92 others.

TEX SHERMAN'S RODEO NEWS

Tex Sherman, the well-known cowboy, is in charge of this new department in Clipper.
It will be exclusively devoted to the Wild West and Rodeo entertainment.

By TEX SHERMAN

The close of the rodeo was a huge success. Everybody left with some money in their pocket. Tex Austin must be given the credit of being the originator and the first producer who has taken the interest of the hands to heart. If every manager or producer will do the same thing it will be a big help to all concerned. We must look out and see that there isn't a lot who will pay a five or ten-dollar entry fee just to get into the gate receipts.

Tommy Kirnan left after the big show with his stock and people to give an exhibition at Baltimore. The following boys were engaged to help with the same show: Tommy Kirnan and Bea, Chick, Hannon, Charlie Aldridge and John Mullens.

Stroud's Fast Show

Leonard Stroud is playing at Rye Beach, N. Y., and making a real hit with his outfit. I saw the show, and will say I have never seen a cleaner or faster show. If all Wild Westerners will have all their people with real outfits, and neat, it will be better for the game.

Slim Caskey's Trick Riding

Three friends got together the other night at the McAlpin Hotel, New York. They were talking about old times. The three were Eddie McCarty, Vern Elliott, and our old bulldogging friend, Slim Caskey.

As the talk got under way it was suggested all three should ride a bucking horse, and over "cigars" the agreement was made.

McCarty and Vern Elliott made a real ride, but Slim amazed the boys with a statement he was going to trick ride on "Deerfoot," a real bucking horse. When the man and beast left the chutes, Slim wa trying to go under the neck. Halfway down the arena, Slim was trying to go under the belly. It was hard to tell who was doing the most squealing, Slim or the bronk. Some ride, eh, Slim?

Handling the Game

Now, boys, I want all of you to send me all the dope on the shows and the prize lists. I will print the different events, and the money to be paid for in the day money and the finals, so get busy, and we will have a column for ourselves.

I want everybody to sign their names, and don't knock.

I will do all I can to boost the game and keep it clean. As long as we do that we will last, and as soon as the game is run on a crooked basis it will be the beginning of the end.

Tex Austin has done his bit toward making the game what it is today, and I certainly admire him, and hope to hear from many managers as to their shows and dates.

Kenneth Cooper in Fine Shape

Kenneth Cooper has left the Harlem Hospital and will leave for home in a few days. He sure looks in fine shape. Kenneth is a real boy and a real hand, and let's hope that he will be at it again shortly.

Mrs. Farnum, a famous sculptress, is making a big statue for the Stadium at Los Angeles. It will be a group of five cowboys, and will show the cowboy in his sports and pastimes, such as bronk riding and bulldogging. I am going to see the model, and leave for Chicago on the Century, Wednesday.

This will be all for now. Will see you next week.

Walker Hit by Auto

Billy Weston, who bills himself "the champion Boy Scout walker of the world," was hit by an automobile in front of the N. V. A. club, New York, Sunday night, suffering the tearing of his ankle ligaments. The accident will temporarily prevent Weston's professional appearances.

Weston is a protege of George N. Brown, the champion walker, and does an act similar to Brown's in the independent houses.

Municipal Swimming Pool

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 30.

San Antonio's new municipal swimming pool at Roosevelt Park will open within a month.

The bath house will accommodate 300 at a time.

Creates New Mile Record

London, Aug. 30.

Paava Nurmi broke the world's running record for one mile at Stockholm, Thursday, doing the distance in four minutes 10 and two-fifths seconds. He defeated the Swedish sprinter Wilde, and bettered the record of the Swedish runner Zander.

The races were witnessed by 20,000.

A-C DOG RACES WIN FAVOR

First Season Finds Many Interested in Novel Sport Feature

Atlantic City, Aug. 30.

This is the first season dog races have been tried here and they have met with a certain degree of success—more now since the track has been lighted and the races held at night. The lighting system is an excellent one, and it is even easier to follow the course of the race at night than it is in the daytime.

Anywhere from a thousand to twenty-five hundred is an average attendance, with this jumping up over the week-ends.

As a ballyhoo a tally-ho that drives through the streets with horns tooting and dogs baying—something impossible to miss. Special nights are arranged, such as "Elks Night," "Ladies Night," "Pageant Beauties Night," which stimulate business.

They are planning to continue at least until the first of October—with special events during the pageant.

ENGLISH WOMAN WINS TITLE

Frenchman First in Swim Across Paris—Italian Champion Second

Paris, Aug. 30.

In a swimming contest across Paris, held Sunday, which included both male and female entrants, Hilda James, English long distance champion, won the woman's championship, covering eight kilometers in 2 hours and 32 minutes.

The event was won by Jean Reyberol, a Frenchman, who swam the distance in 2 hours and 4 minutes; Sachner, Italian champion, second, and Padour, third.

Tiriboci gave a swimming exhibition, but did not compete in the match.

Horseman Starts Suit For $50,000 After Arrest

Columbus, O., Aug. 30.

Suit for $50,500 was filed in Common Pleas Court here this week by Earl H. Clark, this city, against officials of the Grand Circuit and the Capital City Driving Assn. for alleged false arrest Aug. 1 in connection with alleged doping of Periscope, a race horse, at the Columbus Driving Park. Clark in his petition says his reputation was damaged to the amount of $50,000 by publication of false statements and that he spent $500 to gain his release.

Defendants in the suit are the Columbus Driving Assn., Capital City Driving Assn., Grand Circuit Racing Assn., H. K. Devereaux, of Cleveland, president of the Grand Circuit; Edward C. Swischer, president, Harry H. Shepard, secretary, and R. W. Read, representative of the Columbus Driving Assn., and John L. Dodge, Lexington, Ky., horseman.

Breitbart's 2d Postponement

A second postponement of Breitbart's opening in Keith vaudeville cancels the strong man's engagement for Keith's, Washington, next week, and holds over his premiere until Sept. 10. This time it is due to the late arrival of Breitbart's scenery and props, caused by a dockworkers' strike in Hamburg.

The first postponement was his opening at Newark, scheduled for this week.

'MUGS' MEETINGS FOR LONDON'S RACEGOERS

Back Horses Not Being Offered Suggested Rule

The first three days of the Goodwood meeting was bad for the "bookies," and several of the best known retired from the rings. They returned in time to skin the punsters. It is a wise rule at these places not to back the favorites, as favorites are too often created to put the backers off the real thing.

A good plan is to listen attentively and back the horses which are not being offered, if the bookies will take the bets. At Alexandra Park meetings, known as "Mugs' meetings," the favorite in the first race is generally safe betting. It is meant to encourage the "mugs." Then, having drawn the winnings, close up for the rest of the day.

Another "glider" competition will shortly be inaugurated here by the "Daily Mail." This will carry a prize of £1,000 given by the paper and one of £500 given by the Duke of Sutherland. The entrance fee is £5.

The recent successful channel swims are setting the ambitions of novices alight. Several are advertising in the "Agony" columns of the dailies for funds to cover the cost of their training and attempts.

Following Sullivan's successful attempt to swim the Channel, several other attempts have been made during the week-end. Two were by South Americans, both from Argentina. One, Romeo Maciel, was compelled to give up when almost within sight of victory. At the same time two Americans made the attempt, Sam Richards and Charles Toth; both failed. All three started from the English coast. The other Argentine, Sebastian Tirabosvhi, beat Sullivan's record and won against the sea. He has not only beaten all records, but has the distinction of being the first man to do the feat starting from France. His time was 16 hours and 23 minutes. Captain Webb's time was 21 hours and 45 minutes, and Sullivan's, 26 hours and 43 minutes. He had an enormous reception both on landing at Dover and on his return to Calais. Another sensational swim of the week-end was the feat of a little girl, May Adams, 13 years of age, who swam across Morecambe Bay, a distance of 12 miles, beating five experienced swimmers who gave up through exhaustion.

The Strand district is to have open-air dancing apart from the Bank Holiday jigging to barrel-organs. The Savoy roof has been turned into a dancing resort, where semi-fashionable London will disport itself to the strains of a fashionable band and enjoy the breeze from the Thames at the same time.

The ordinary Bisley shooting event being over, 13,000 picked riflemen, revolver shots and Lewis gunners are shooting for the different service trophies. They are all from the Aldershot Command and the combined results will decide the ownership of the Aldershot Command Championship Cup. Aldershot is, of course, the principal military center in Great Britain, and is a little Hell for the Soldier, what with the dust of the Long Valley, the military police and the never-relinquished regimental discipline.

Eula Youngblood Hurt

Eula Youngblood (Mrs. Glenn Condon) is among the wounded as a result of the Rodeo at the Yankee Stadium. Saturday night as she was unsaddling her horse in the runway after the grand parade, a wild steer broke away from a bulldogger. Before Miss Youngblood knew he was near he rammed her horse and knocked him against the fence. Miss Youngblood was also knocked down and trampled on by the steer, breaking several bones in her foot.

In spite of the pain she carried on to the conclusion of the Rodeo without complaint, but is now laid up at her home as a result of the

MARRIED PAIR IN LAST WEEK'S RODEO

Mike and Fox Hastings Liked New York, but Glad to Leave

An odd mixture of daredevil courage and proud lady behavior with a penchant for practical joking has earned "Fox" Hastings her nickname, although Fox was her maiden patronymic before she met and married Mike Hastings, the holder of the Richard K. Fox gold belt emblematic of the world's allround cowboy championship, which he won at Pendleton, Ore., in 1922. Mike also holds the world's record for bulldogging a steer, his time for the stunt being 7 seconds flat.

Fox Hastings never saw a ranch until she married, having been educated in the Good Sisters' Convent, San Francisco. It was while a guest of a school girl chum in Pendleton she saw her first rodeo—and Mike, to whom she was introduced by her chum's brother. Three days afterward Fox ran away with him and tied the nuptial knot.

That ended her school days and following her husband's example she soon became an expert horsewoman. Much against her husband's wishes Fox insisted upon entering the rodeos. In her first contest at Laramie, Wyo., she won the cowgirls' bronk riding championship. Since then she has won many titles in bronk riding, trick riding and relay events, with trophies, plates and cups galore.

There now exists a strong rivalry between Fox and her husband in their contests with much good natured joshing when either falls down.

Fox is a cut-up anyway and Mike's life is anything but dreary.

On the day the Clipper man interviewed her Fox had just lost her pocketbook. She did not bewail the loss of the money in it, but was heartbroken at the loss of her favorite powder puff, which she said was "rodeo seasoned," and "just right to fix up with after a hard battle with a fractious bronk."

Someone suggested she say she was a ranch raised girl, as it sounded more appropriate. Fox said, "It may sound that way, but I'm telling this man just how it happened to me and I know."

Miss Hastings (Mrs. Mike) has a beautiful horse, "Buster," and there seems to be a human understanding between them. Mrs. Hastings says she loves "Buster" better than anything in the world, excepting Mike.

The Hastings had a great time in New York, but enough of it and were glad to trek westward again. They say they will be back for other rodeos here.

Rodeo Fair Feature

Managers of the rodeo and roundup which will be staged at Duncan, Okla., Sept. 11-14, during the Stephens county free fair, closed a contract this week for a herd of what is said to be the meanest horses ever seen at a wild west exhibition in Oklahoma.

Purses are announced, divided into first, second and third prizes, for bronk riding, steer riding, bull-dogging, wild cow milking, bell calf roping, trick and clown riding and other cowboy sports.

The fair association has contracted for a carnival company to furnish the attractions and in addition to the carnival bands, the Marlow band has been engaged.

Letters and telegrams have been received by the rodeo managers from some of the world's greatest riders, ropers and wild west performers, advising that they will be on hand and ready to do their stunts.

Finn's New 3-Mile Mark

Stockholm, Aug. 30.

Paavo Nurmi, Finnish runner, broke the three-mile record here Friday, covering the distance in 14 minutes 11 1/5 seconds, while running 5,000 meters, done in 14 minutes 39 9/10 seconds.

The former official three-mile record was made by Alfred Shrubb at Stamford Bridge, London, and was six seconds slower than the new mark.

FOX HASTINGS

One of the stars of the recent Rodeo at the Yankee Stadium, New York, in action on her favorite cow pony, "Buster."

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plane. Taking the air cost Dave this year's championship. Tough luck, too, as just to show he could ride Invalid (?) he did so at the night show and tamed him thoroughly. It was a great afternoon's sport.

Last Night Has Thrills

The night show was just as good, the animals acting as if they knew it was the last show, just like a gang of schoolboys the day before vacation, and the show was a fitting climax to the greatest Rodeo New York at least has ever seen. Events and results follow:

Bareback bronk riding — Buck Lucas, 1st; Tommy Douglas (clown), 2nd; Bob Askins, 3rd.

Cowgirls' bronk riding—Fox Hastings, 1st; Marie Gibson, 2nd; Florence Hughes, 3rd.

Calf roping—Tony Pagano, 20 seconds, 1st; Blackie De Graffenreid, 29 3-5, 2nd; Cheyenne Kiser, 33 3-5, 3rd.

Cowgirls' trick riding—Bea Kirnan, 1st; Florence Hughes, 2nd; Fox Hastings, 3rd.

Cowboys' bronk riding with saddle—Nowater Slim, 1st; Buck Lucas, 2nd; Charlie Johnson, 3rd.

Cowgirls' relay race—Donna Glover, 1st; Mabel Strickland, 2nd; Helen Elliott, 3rd.

Steer wrestling—Roy Quick, 20 1-5 seconds, 1st; Yakima Canutt, 30, 2nd; no 3rd.

Cowboys' trick riding—Bob Calen, 1st; Buck Stewart, 2nd; Tommy Kirnan, 3rd.

Wild steer riding—Tommy Douglas (clown), 1st; Bryan Roach, 2nd; Dick Kirnan, 3rd.

Wild horse race—Buddy Timmons, 1st; Paddy Ryan, 2rd; Earl Peth, 3rd.

The only accident of the evening which the audience did not see happened to Florence Hughes as she was riding a bucking bronk out of th chute. The horse, Tragedy, slammed her leg against a post, hurting it so badly it needed a doctor's attention. She stuck, however, and put up a great ride. Just another every-day instance of the courage and spunk of these girls and boys.

Ruppert Makes Awards

Shortly before the conclusion of the show Colonel Jake Ruppert, owner of the Stadium and the New York American ball team, came into the arena and presented the champions of the different events with the cups and tropies which go with the titles. This year's championships were won by the following competitors, and every contest was stubbornly contested and won on merit and skill:

The most coveted title, the steer wrestling championship, was won by Yakima Canutt, with Buck Lucas 2nd and Lloyd Saunders 3rd. Each of these threw every steer they tackled, the difference in time being the deciding factor for the title. Canutt's average time was 49 seconds.

Richard Merchant won the calf-roping contest, averaging 29 seconds for each calf. Ike Ruke was 2nd and Bob Crosby 3rd.

Howard Tegland won the bronk riding contest; Yakima Canutt, 2nd; Nowater Slim, 3rd. This was a nip and tuck contest all the way through and it took some strenuous riding to win it. In view of this, all the more credit is due Howard Tegland, as only five weeks ago he broke some bones in his leg at the Rodeo in Bell Foch, South Dakota, and they have not yet properly knitted. He still is hobbling around (on the ground) with the aid of a cane, but gives not sign of it when in the saddle. None of the three were thrown in any of the twelve daily rides. Style is the deciding factor in this event.

Bill Hurley was away ahead in the cowboys' relay race, scoring seven firsts and three seconds. Jack Brown was 2nd, Roy Kivett 3rd.

Donna Glover, also with seven firsts and three seconds, won the cowgirls' relay race, with Mabel Strickland (former champion) 2nd, and Helen Elliott 3rd. Miss Glover had it on her competitors in mounting and dismounting to change horses. She seemed to fly from saddle to saddle. All these girls are expert horsewomen and are liable to turn the tables any time they meet. They all had their special groups of rooters, and their performances seem to have especial attraction for the spectators.

Girls Retain Titles

Two former lady champions retained their titles, Bonnie McCarroll again being crowned champion cowgirl bronk rider, which she cinched yesterday by a spectacular and dangerous ride on Mohawk Black. Fox Hastings was second and Ruth Roach third.

The cowgirls' trick riding crown was again won by Mabel Strickland, who while her great little horse Joker is in full gallop climbs all over him, her graceful style being an added feature in her favor. Bea Kirnan was a bang-up second, and Florence Hughes also made it interesting; she was 3rd.

All of these titles are recognized as world championships, and the crowd went wild while the emblems of the title were being distributed.

Tex Austin and his executive staff are to be congratulated on the splendid manner in which the Rodeo was brought to a successful conclusion, and New York will welcome their return at any time.

Austin's Generosity

The entire receipts of Friday evening, on which occasion there were 16,185 paid admissions, totaling $24,687.50, were divided between the numerous contestants, each receiving over $200 as a mark of Tex Austin's appreciation of the splendid work done by his riders. His action was highly appreciated.

Another big sporting meet is scheduled for the Stadium Sept. 8, when the Wilco Athletic Association will put on a pre-Olympic carnival, rain or shine, for the purpose of selecting representative American competitors for the Olympic games to be held in Paris in 1924.

Connecticut Fair Layout

Hartford, Aug. 30.

The Connecticut State Fair will open Labor Day, Sept. 3, and will continue for the balance of the week.

The Twentieth Century Show Co., of New York, has signed contracts to furnish a merry-go-round and there will also be a ferris wheel, Venetian swings, athletic shows, a miniature circus, side shows, pit shows, and Aladaia Zaza will present the King Tut dancing show. There will be about twenty shows of various kinds, half a dozen rides and 300 concessions.

There will be the usual grand circuit racing with auto races on Saturday, Sept. 8, in which Ralph DePalma will take part.

Theatre's Ball Team

Flint, Mich., Aug. 29.

Employes of the local Palace theatre, Butterfield circuit, are planning to reorganize the baseball team which had a successful season this spring against the members of the various companies playing at the local house.

The baseball team was originally organized to play the regular team of the Saucy Baby company in a series of three games. In this initial series the teams split a brace of games here, and the local stage hands journeyed to Saginaw to hand the actors another defeat. They later took the measure of the companies which followed.

Joe Beckett Married

London, Aug. 21.

Joe Beckett, the British heavyweight champion, married Ruth Ford, at Worthing near Brighton, Aug. 17. The engagement was only announced recently, and the sudden marriage is said to have been on account of the serious illness of the bride's mother.

Contrary to reports Beckett declares he has no intention of giving up the ring, and hopes to fight Carpentier in the early autumn.

Protests Sunday Racing

Youngstown, O., Aug. 30.

Rev. G. L. Ford, executive secretary of the Federated Churches, Monday protested to Sheriff Paul Lyden against permitting the automobile races at Southern Park next Sunday afternoon.

The races feature America's dirt track champions. Rev. Ford says in his protest he has received complaints against them being held on Sunday.

Swimming Titles

Paris, Aug. 21.

Forty-eight clubs, representing 10 cities, with over 300 swimmers, entered for the French championship meeting at Arras, organized by the French Federation of Swimmers and Life Saving Aug. 18 and 19. Nearly 60 females were among the entries.

Some good performances were witnessed at Arras.

Siki After Dempsey

Paris, Aug. 30.

Siki, the Sengalese boxer, sailed for New York Saturday on the Berengaria, from Cherbourg, accompanied by Defremont, his manager, and Charles Remond and Diamant, sparring partners.

His trip to America is being made with the hope of securing a bout with Jack Dempsey.

Brockton's Fair, Oct. 2-6

Brockton, Mass., Aug. 30.

Arrangements are practically completed by the large staff of workers employed annually in the production of the yearly Brockton Fair for the 1923 show on October 2-6.

The outdoor production this year assumes special proportions by virtue of the fact that the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the society will be celebrated.

New Altitude Record

Paris, Aug. 30.

Alexis Maneyrol broke the altitude record in the low-powered aeroplane trials at Vauville, near Cherburg, Monday. His plane reached a heighth of 3,830 meters in 54 minutes, the total time in the air being 1 hour and 23 minutes.

REFORMERS CRUSADE AGAINST ARMY BOUTS

Washington Ministers Will Ask Congress to Stop Sportland

Washington, Aug. 30.

Congress is going to be asked to stop the fights at Sportland Heights, Washington's one place of amusement in the boxing field. The Methodist Episcopal Church calls the prize fighting at this arena "the shame of a nation," and are also going after the War Department for letting down the bars on fights between soldiers and civilians.

"Legitimate boxing interest has been used to open the army and navy to the brutalities and degredation of prize fighting. Millions for the dregs of the human race, thousands for educators; $300,000 for Dempsey to shed blood, $7,500 a year for Congressmen to safeguard the nation," is the opening broadside on the part of the ministers.

In Washington is located a number of church associations for the suppression of "vice" and if they are not after one thing it is another. Just recently a local minister started a movement against the community "sings" that are attracting from 5,000 to 10,000 persons.

It is problematic whether Joe Lynch, the bantamweight champion, will be brought here on Sept. 13 because of the bad taste left with the fans by the promoters of the Sportland Heights bouts in matching Joey Schwartz, a local fighter and former newsboy here, with the champ, after Holman defeated Schwartz during the bout between the two last Thursday, the 23d, at Sportland.

Champ Girl Team Defeated

Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 30.

The All-Star Bloomer Girls, female champion baseball team of the East since 1910, were defeated here by the Garland City A. C.

The boys made a farce of the game after the fifth frame, making errors on easy grounders, and misjudging easy flies.

The girls have been on the road for 10 weeks, playing almost daily throughout northern New York.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., Aug. 30.

The New York Bloomer Girls baseball team has cancelled its tour through Northern New York. Poor business is responsible.

Cecilia De Mille's Tour

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Cecelia De Mille, daughter of Cecil De Mille, left Los Angeles last week for a tour of the various horse shows now being held on the Pacific Coast.

Miss De Mille will exhibit her two prize winning blacks which were presented to her by her father.

Youth Wins Golf Cup

Paris, Aug. 30.

L. Wright, an American lad, aged 16 years, won the golf competition cup at Le Tourquet (France). Wright came over from England, where he is attending college, and he intends to play for the boys' championship.

Italian Auto Driver Killed

Paris, Aug. 30.

A report from Milan states Giaconne, Italian auto driver, was killed Monday while training for the European Grand Prix meet to be held on the Monza track, Italy, Sept. 9.

Capt. Behrens Recovering

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Capt. Behrens, old time deep sea diver and Venice showman, is slowly recovering from injuries received from a pet wild cat which is among his attractions on the beach.

First Rodeo Set

Joplin, Mo., Aug. 30.

The Joplin Rodeo Association will hold the city's first annual rodeo the last week in September. It has been underwritten and prize money in trustees hand in the bank.

So. Cal. Elks' Circus

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Southern California Elks will hold a circus at Whittier Sept. 1-8. Frank Curran has secured 10 tent attractions for the occasion.

No Marathon Swimming

Dallas, Aug. 30.

Plans for staging a marathon swimming contest in Dallas, at Gardner Park, Labor Day, have been abandoned.

SPORTLIGHTS

Leonard-Dundee Talk

The pro and con discussion ment the Benny Leonard-Johnny undee bout for the lightweight title the Yankee Stadium is bound to oost interest in the match to con- ert pitch. Weights and the ability the contestants at various pound- ges finds a wide diversity of opin- on, and heated arguments are cur- ent along Broadway, where both en have hosts of loyal adherents.

The battle will settle for good the uestion of whether Leonard can put he Scotch-Wop away and verify he contention that Benny has been olding up Johnny for years. The oys have not met in New York for ome time, but before Leonard opped the title they frequently ixed it up. When the law ade decision bouts legal Leonard topped meeting Dundee, but over in ersey, when they met, Johnny's nees sagged from a punch to the utton and Benny pulled the jump- ng-jack over close in order to miss swing by a foot.

It is supposed to be a battle on he up and up. They say Dundee as been talking too much to suit enny, and Leonard must knock out he new featherweight champ. Fight anagers believe there isn't a chance or Leonard to lose. Benny is re- orted having said he would put ohnny to sleep, but also is credited with stating Dundee has the snap- iest left hook of any boxer of his eight today, is an excellent boxer nd is a hard man to hit because rarely set.

A moot question is what Leonard's ondition will be at 135 pounds. There is some idea that if he makes he title weight limit Dundee has a ood chance to beat him. On the ther hand, Benny is reliably re- orted able to make the limit with- ut injury to his fighting strength. When he weighed in against Lew Tendler last month newspapermen were barred, and there was some austic comment, implying that Benny was quite over the limit. Later reports said Leonard moved the beam at 139 pounds, but, also, that Tendler could not make the limit and weighed in at 140 pounds. A story around is that "Blink" Mc- Closkey was brought over from Phila. to handle the scales, and Blink's eyes are not so good.

It is positively known that when Leonard weighed in for the mem- orable match with Ritchie Mitchell, staged by the Milk Fund at Madison Square Garden, he moved the beam at 133 pounds. The bar was moved to 135 pounds, so that the lesser weight was not tipped off. If Benny could train down for that match he should have no trouble for the Dundee bout, for most of his weight is in his thighs.

A fight manager who studies con- dition closely stated this week that Dundee has been through for two years. The fact he won the title from Criqui failed to impress the expert, because Criqui's ability never was gauged, and the win of the Frenchman over Kilbane meant nothing. However, if the claim that Dundee has been picking his oppo- nents is true, it will be evidenced in the match with Leonard—if Benny tries, and it looks sure that he will.

Australian Slips In

A new Australian champion (heavyweight) has arrived in our midst unostentatiously, having beaten all the available big men in his own country. He is training at Madison Square under the direction of Al Gorman, who thinks highly of the Antipodean. His name is Lewis Brown, a big strapping husky of 210. If left to himself he would fight Jack Dempsey right off the reel.

Brown wastes no time in fancy sparring, as many of his compatriots do, but is on top of his opponent all the time. In his training he has sparred with all the big fellows, Firpo included, and given a good account of himself. He was matched with Luis Pera (Firpo's cousin), July 31, but before that date ar- rived Pera claimed he had broken two ribs. A surgeon's examination showed no injury and the commis- sioners ordered Pera to go through with the match as per schedule. Brown appeared on the date set and weighed in, but Pera did not show and a substitute bout was put on. The commissioners have ruled Pera out until he fulfills his engagement with the Australian.

Meantime Brown has been train- ing faithfully and will be seen in action at the Velodrome, New York, Aug. 29. His opponent has not been selected, but the wise ones claim Brown will give a good account of himself against any of the local trial horses. An inside tip is that while sparring in a training bout with Firpo Mr. Brown sat the Ar- gentine down very hard.

"Wild Bill" and the Majors

Nothing definite to the report that "Wild Bill" Donovan, manager of the New Haven Eastern League club, will pilot a team in the majors next season. Donovan told that to a Clipper representative last week. The stories had it that "Wild Bill" would probably take charge of the Detroit team, succeeding Ty Cobb. A National League club was also reported to be negotiating for his services, but, according to Donovan, no big league owners have ap- proached him definitely.

Donovan and Cobb

By a curious coincidence Ty Cobb, the man whom Donovan is rumored to succeed, owns stock in the New Haven club, which "Wild Bill" is managing, and Donovan was a star pitcher with the "Tigers" back in the days when Detroit was winning pennants.

Donovan has met with great suc- cess with the New Haven team, last year having won the pennant in a walk, and is now fighting for first place with Hartford. In owner George Weiss, however, he has the most liberal employer in the East- ern League and who, being a mil- lionaire, allows his manager to draw heavily on his purse strings for players. And with it all it is not hard to define "Wild Bill" as the most popular manager in the league.

John C. Joyce Arrested

John C. Joyce, of Narragansett Pier, R. I., was arrested on a charge of being a common gambler follow- ing two raids on the Narragansett Club and Elms Cottage by sheriffs working from the Attorney General's office Friday night. Joyce is well known at the pier, where he owns the Clark Block, in which the Nar- ragansett Club is located, the Elms Cottage and two other residences at the resort. He pleaded not guilty in court Saturday and was held in $1,000 bail for a later trial.

Six hundred poker chips and five packs of cards were seized by the raiders, who were armed with search warrants. The warrants were issued in the Superior Court at Providence on information obtained by the At- torney General's office, from where a vigorous campaign to clean up the state of bootleggers and gamb- lers is being conducted.

The chips and cards were found at the Elms Cottage where Sheriff Wilcox, in his report, said he found "several men playing around a table in there, apparently playing solitaire." Joyce, said to be the owner of both resorts, could not be found during the raids and was taken in custody later.

Basketball Star

Benny Borgman, one of the great- est stars in professional basketball, has been signed by the Boston American League baseball club. Borgman is a shortstop. He played that position with the Colonials, a Kingston, N. Y., semi-pro nine, at the beginning of the season, and more recently filled the same spot with the Chester club of the Phila- delphia Baseball Association. Borg- man's home is in Philly.

He is the second start of the New York Basketball League to be grabbed up by a major league base- ball club. Harry Riconda, who al- ternates with Sammy Hale at third base for Connie Mack's Athletics, is the other. Riconda was purchased from "Wild Bill" Donovan's New Haven team of the Eastern League at the end of last season for a re- puted price of $8,000.

Rip Collins Sold

Phil "Rip" Collins, star pitcher of the Rockford Three-I league team, has been bought by Scout Bobby Wallace for the Cubs. Fans on the inside are hinting that the purchase price was $4,000. Collins is a Chicagoan, a right-hander, and joined the Rockford team last year. After a brief trial, he went to an independent team at Michigan City. He returned this year and showed great improvement. Pittsburgh wanted to buy him. He will join the Cubs at the close of the Three-I season.

Altoona's New Speedway

Altoona's (Pa.) new speedway, just completed, will witness its first race on Labor Day when the cream of the racing world slips into the huge bowl to vie for the American championship 200-mile classic and the $24,000 purse offered to the victor.

Champ on Short End

The unusual spectacle of a world's champion being on the short end of the betting will be presented tonight (Friday) at the Polo Grounds when Johnny Wilson, middleweight king, will mingle with Harry Greb of Pittsburgh.

Greb's admirers have installed the "Pittsburgh Windmill" a 2-1 favorite to get the decision. These odds will probably shorten to 9-5 at ringside, for Wilson has a large following among the local Italian population.

Very little money is being wager- ed on Greb to kayo Wilson, as the former is a notoriously light hitter. Greb's forte is throwing punches from all angles at all times. His style doesn't allow him to set long enough to hit an effec- tive blow. He wears down his ad- versaries by his unceasing barrage of belts, making his opponent tin can around the ring and tiring him out.

Wilson's admirers are willing to gamble that Johnny stops Greb if they get long enough odds. Wilson is a hard body puncher with his left hand, but is liable to be dis- qualified any minute, as he starts the left from the floor and lets it run wild. In his last fight against Mike O'Dowd at the Garden he hit O'Dowd at least six low punches. O'Dowd went to a hospital follow- ing the battle and was operated upon for rupture.

Greb's well-wishers would not be so cocksure of winning if they looked over Harry's record. He has never been a world beater against middle-weights. Against the heavier men Greb has been a wonder, but the fellows his own size have given him plenty of trouble. Wilson has at least an even chance to retain his title.

Holman Wins from Schwartz

Local pride took a tumble last Thursday when Joey Schwartz, Washington's former newsboy and now lightweight, went down to de- feat before Charley Holman, of Richmond, at Sportland Heights, near the Capitol. Holman got the decision in the twelve-round bout after a series of stinging left jabs that completly outclassed Schwartz. The winner has been promised a fight on Sept. 13 with Joe Lynch, the bantamweight champion of the world.

Holman possessed an almost un- canny ability in getting through the guard of Schwartz, and then to get away and cover up after the de- livering of a wicked left jab. Schwartz really seemed bewildered throughout the greater portion of the fight, seemingly being unable to solve his opponents method of at- tack. In the infighting Schwartz had the better of it, and in the last three rounds the local boy seemed to get his bearings better, and made a good showing in these rounds, but the rally was too late, as Holman had already gotten the fight on points.

Little Jeff, of Baltimore, trounced Eddie Fitzsimmons of Philadelphia in another twelve round bout. In the fifth Little Jeff floored Fitz- simmons for the count of nine. The bell saved the namesake of the once world's champion. He failed to come back in the sixth.

Billy Vincent and Johnny Conroy fought to a draw. Joey Ward of Baltimore, defeated Young Porky Flynn of Philadelphia, in the cur- tain-raiser.

Attendance at Sportland Heights is on the increase with the attend- ance last night reaching an easy 2,500. Added interest has been aroused with the announcement of the coming of Joe Lynch.

A. A. A. Bars Drivers

Noel Bullock, 1922 Pike's Peak Hill Climb champion, and King Rhiley, the 1921 title holder, have been barred by the A. A. A. from competing in the world's champion- ship climb to be staged Labor Day Sept. 3, by the Denver Post on the Pike's Peak highway.

Notification of the blacklist of the two drivers was received last week by F. C. Matthews and Harry N. Burhans, traffic manager and Colo- rado representative of the contest board of the A. A. A., respectively. The reason given was that Bullock and Rhiley have driven in unsanc- tioned races.

Cash prizes of $2,100, and the Penrose trophy, hung up by Spen- cer Penrose of Colorado Springs, will be awarded the winners—$700 for each class.

Swimming Meet Draws

The national swimming meet of the A. A. U., at Broad Ripple amuse- ment park, Indianapolis, pool last week was the best drawing attraction of the week. Although the weather was so chilly the spectators had to wear furs and top coats, attendance reached as high as 3,000 on Satur- day afternoon. The Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce sponsored the event, which was successful financially.

Hartford Sports Club

The new exposition hall of the Connecticut State Fair Association, Hartford, built this summer to re- place one which collapsed under the weight of snow last winter, has been leased for a term of years by the Connecticut Sporting Club, a newly formed organization which will pro- mote basketball, roller polo and box- ing.

The hall has a seating capacity of about 4,000 for boxing shows, and 3,000 for roller polo and basketball. The building is on the state fair grounds, just over the town line in the town of West Hartford.

The officers of the Connecticut Sport Club are: President and treasurer, George D. Chase, Farm- ington; vice-president, C. V. Matthews, Avon; secretary, Carl A. Edmond, Hartford.

Criqui-Hebrano Match Fixed

Eugene Criqui and the Belgian champion, Hebrans, have promised to fight Oct. 6 at the Velodrome d'Hiver, Paris, the proceeds to go to charity (scientific research labor- atories in France). Darche, He- brans' manager, agrees to 15 rounds with 4 ounce gloves for the occasion, the men to weigh in at 58 kilo- grams.

Criqui is sure of a welcome in American pugilistic circles when- ever he desires to return. After losing the featherweight title to Johnny Dundee, he said he hoped to come back next winter and again meet the Scotch-Wop. No gamer little man ever stepped into the ring. When he was introduced at the Polo Grounds last month, when the memorable battle with Dundee was staged, the "bird" was heard amid the reception, but that is always a curious freak pertaining to fight fan audiences.

After the bout, when the furore over Dundee's final achievement of winning a world's title had somewhat subsided, Joe Humphries led the Frenchman to the center of the ring and raised his right hand. There was a thrilling response, a majority of the crowd hurrahing and wildly applauding the gameness of the Verdun-scarred poilu. Though his reign as champion was the briefest on record, Criqui will never for- get that finale nor will those who witnessed and participated in it. Humphries sensed it was the thing to do, proving Joe can think quickly.

The marvel of the Criqui-Dundee fight was that the Frenchman stayed the limit of fifteen rounds. He was knocked down with left hooks three times in the early rounds and bled so badly from the mouth from then on that the referee twice went to Criqui's corner and inquired if he was badly hurt, in order to save the visitor serious in- jury. A broken dental plate cut the roof of his mouth and Criqui swal- lowed so much blood that he was sickened. Yet later in the bout he landed a right that shook Dundee to his heels.

R. I. Fights Labor Day

The Veterans of Foreign Wars are planning a series of rousing bouts to please the Rhode Island Fans on Labor Day afternoon. The main bout will be between Dave Shade of California and Al Norton. Pete Carney of New Bedford and Charlie Baxter will meet in the semi-final in a return match, and Babe Willard of this State and Young Costa will also hook up in the second clash.

Other preliminaries will be Young Thomas and Young Mayo in action.

Burkett College Coach

Jesse C. Burkett may be baseball coach of the Boston College team next year. That is, if he wants the job and his figures are considered reasonable. The Eagles are going to make a change next year. Olaf Henriksen is due for a walk. Bur- kett is the most favored among the several men whose names have been considered. Burkett was an appli- cant when Henriksen received the appointment and was favored more than the Red Sox player. But at that time Burkett, who is now man- aging the Worcester, Mass., base- ball club, had a proposition from the Giants under consideration. His appointment would add much to the rivalry already existing between Boston College and Holy Cross, for Burkett was coach of the Purple be- fore Jack Barry, the former Red Sox star, took up the task.

THE 'WISE GANG' ON LEONARD FOR DECISION

One Gambler Quoting 8 to 1 on Leonard Against Dundee

What is known in betting circles as the "wise" bettors, meaning a coterie of Broadway gamblers usual- ly noted for their canniness in pick- ing winners, are down hook, line and sinker on Benny Leonard to re- tain his title in his coming tilt with Johnny Dundee at the Yankee Sta- dium.

One nationally known gambler is said to have laid as big as eight to one that Leonard will receive the referee's decision. Most of the bet- tings seems to be on the decision, with odds of four and five to one asked and given by the Leonard fol- lowers.

The tip has gone out that Leonard will kayo the Scotch-Wop if possi- ble. Leonard is reported as being very much peeved because Johnny has freely predicted he would take the lightweight title from Benny.

Dundee and Leonard have met eight times in no-decision bouts. Dundee always claimed Leonard was afraid to meet him in a bout to a decision. On top of this Leonard's followers always inti- mated that Benny was so fond of Dundee, the champion "carried" the featherweight champ.

Dundee has always resented these hints and makes no secret of the fact he is out to prove to the fight world that Leonard never did and never could "carry" him. Another reason for Benny's grouch is said to be Dundee's insistence that Leonard make 135 pounds in the presence of newspaper men and the boxing commission.

Record Gate Assured

From the pre-bout rumors and discussions, a record gate is as- sured, for both Dundee and Leonard have tremendous local following, in addition to their out-of-town ad- mirers.

Dundee is the enigma of the ring and worth a short-end bet any time he starts. He fooled the wise bet- tors by stopping Criqui and win- ning his featherweight title.

The gang ran wild getting down on Criqui when Dundee listlessly stepped on the scales and weighted 124¼. Even Dundee's closest friends were amazed eight hours later when Johnny stepped into the ring at the Polo Grounds. Six hours' sleep and a hearty meal had made a new man out of the fighter who seemed dead on his feet at 2 p. m. on fight day at weighing-in time. Dundee has fought over 300 battles, but never burned himself up by consistent training. His method is to map out a series of fights, start- ing with lightweights and lighting himself into condition, thereby pre- serving his unquenchable energy and vitality.

Like wine, the Scotch-Wop seems to be improving with age, and is sure to give Leonard the fight of his career, regardless of the wise bet- tors.

Argentine's Olympic Team

Paris, Aug. 30.

The Argentine Government has officially decided to enter a team in the Olympic games to be held here next year.

Rifle Matches

Eight of the matches on the Bay State Rifle Range, Wakefield, Mass., in the tournament under the aus- pices of the United Service of New England, have been shot mostly un- der fair weather conditions, with the Coolidge Cup and the Military Order of the World War Match to come.

Charles Fletcher of San Diego, swimming in the Southern Californi- a Association A. A. U. champion- ship meet at Coronado Tent City, Aug. 19, broke the national record for the 220-yard breast-stroke, mak- ing the outdoor course, with one turn, in 3:03 1-5.

HERE AND THERE

Commissioner and Inspectors

The New York police inspectors were called together by Commissioner Enright the end of last week for a heart to heart talk. Enright informed the inspectors he had received many complaints of the openness with which speak-easies were being operated, also gambling in New York. The commissioner said he understood there were 250 speak-easies between 42d and 72d streets. More attention would have to be given to condition; the commissioner said as he did not want to be continually sending complaints to precincts.

The Hoffman Sisters, Minerva, Claudia Preston, Lillian Engle and Lassie Nasworthy are to appear at the Motor Square Hotel, Pittsburgh.

The Seven Royal Purple Girls are appearing at Bongiovanni's Wildwood Gardens, Wildwood, Pa.

The Janet Sisters, Eve Dowling and Madeline LeVere open this week at the Hotel Lorraine Roof, Philadelphia.

Martini Burnley and George Kiddon for the Cafe Beaux Arts, Atlantic City.

Grace Bird and Sylvia Parnes, Venetian Gardens, Montreal.

The Marigold Gardens, Chicago, have engaged Maurie Sherman, orchestra leader, who for the past three years has been at the Randolph Cafe, Chicago. Sherman and his orchestra open there Labor Day.

Dance Hall Competition

Dance halls in New England are flourishing and the cabarets are finding them real competition. A manager of one of the big cabarets in Connecticut went into the dance hall game at the beginning of the summer, but a few bad weeks scared him out. The orchestra leader who was playing the place, Mal Hallett, took it and put it over. There is hardly a town of any consequence in New England that does not boast a hall at which there is dancing at least one night a week and in many instances every night.

A junior musical society has been formed in Los Angeles at the Philharmonic Auditorium and will be known as the Junior Philharmonic Orchestra. Master Leo Scheer, 13, has been elected director. Fifteen charter members are named in the organization, ages ranging from 12 to 18. They are now preparing to give a series of concerts at a later date.

Rainbow Gardens, at Appleton, Wis., opened Saturday night with Husk O'Hare's orchestra and Georgia Melville.

Four men were arrested for carrying flasks into Bert Kelley's "Stables," a cabaret at Rush street and Austin avenue, Chicago, and were fine $425 and costs each. Nine "toters" were nabbed there in a single evening. The instructions to Chicago police are to arrest the flask carriers. All flaskers arrested to date have been required to furnish $1,000 bond.

"Police have no right to search a man or his automobile," one judge said. "Only when a bottle of liquor is actually seen can a policeman confiscate it or arrest its owner."

Mrs. Thomas Curtis, 4880 Sheridan road, who was said to have held a pint of gin in her hand as she prepared to enter the cabaret, was granted a jury trial.

The cafe deal closed last week whereby the Palais Royal, San Francisco, and the Winter Garden, Palais Royal and Sunset Inn, Los Angeles, call for separate management, involved more than $600,000. Dave and Sam Wolf and Jacques Russo hereafter will operate the San Francisco place and the Plantation, Los Angeles, while Howard Patrick, Mike Lyman and Bill Simon will have the Palais Royal and Winter Garden in Los Angeles. The Sunset Inn in Santa Monica will be operated jointly until it closes next month.

Two new cafes have opened at Los Angeles. Long Horn Inn, operated by William Latimer and Thomas Keenan, has opened near Redondo Beach and Madam Yucca is conducting an inn in downtown section of city.

Building Progress Slow

The new dance hall which is being erected on the site of the old Bluebird at Broadway and 52d street, New York, which was supposed to be ready by December, will probably not be opened until late in April.

Owing to the fact that an office building was to be erected on the site it was found necessary to excavate much deeper than originally planned and the work was consequently slowed down. It is understood that the building company which is doing the construction agreed to a liability-for-delay clause and may be called upon to forfeit several thousand dollars.

No Booze from Outside

A party of theatrical people consisting of two men and three girls recently visited a New York downtown cafe during a slumming tour. The party ordered five rounds of drinks and were taxed $7.50 for the stuff. One of the men tasted it and found that it was weak. He turned to his friend and suggested that he pour a little something from his pocket flask to strengthen the drink.

This the man started to do when the head waiter, in a polite and courteous manner, stated that they did not allow patrons to drink their own liquor in the place. The man explained that he was just trying to put a little strength into the concoction and that they would spend more money in the place. The head waiter replied, "My instructions are not to allow outside stuff to be used here, as we sell all you can use; so I am afraid you folks will have to leave." This the party did without further disturbing the drinks on the table after paying the check.

L. L. Harding, aged 72, vice-president of the Vocalstyle Music Company, Cincinnati, manufacturers of player piano rolls, died at Canon City, Col., where he resided several years. His wife died there two years ago.

Second Grand Union Raid.

The Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga, was raided again last week by prohibition agents from New York, who seized a quantity of liquors. It was the second time during the racing season the Grand Union had been "knocked off" by New York agents.

The first time Izzy Einstein and Moe Smith made a spectacular descent on the crowded grill room early in the evening, produced a search warrant, searched several rooms and confiscated liquors valued at $5,000.

The last raid made by Peter Reager and Ike Freidenberg, had none of the elements of the dramatic. The agents entered the barroom early in the afternoon while the races were on, and after lining up three waiters, searched the place. They reported the seizure of four cases of assorted liquors and wines and 200 bottles of ale.

After arresting and arraigning the three waiters before United States Commissioner Knapp, the agents announced that a warrant would be issued for the apprehension of Patrick Flanagan, alleged proprietor of the barroom, who was arrested in the previous raid.

A drastic curfew ordinance, closing roadhouses at 1 a. m., is expected to become effective in Milwaukee county, Wisconsin, October 1, as a result of empowering legislation passed at the last session of the State legislature.

The county board is expected to lay final plans for enforcement of such an ordinance at its next meeting.

Heretofore, roadhouses have been allowed to keep open until the early hours of the morning, because each township retained the right to establish its own closing hour, with the result that few did.

Work of enforcing the new ordinance would be in the hands of deputy sheriffs.

Chinese eating places in New York are so close to each other along Broadway in the Forties that the managements find it necessary to give something besides food to attract patronage. Several of the larger places have installed good dance orchestras, and this has proved of some value. Som Toy, at Broadway and 48th street, tried out a revue idea last spring and found it fairly successful and will put in another this fall, billed as MaBelle's Novelty Revue, opening September 6. Several other Chink cafes around the town intend to put in revues.

Willie Creager, former drummer with the Biltmore orchestra, has been added to the staff of Irving Berlin as special arranger.

SPECHT'S NEW TUNE AT NEW ALAMAC

Eight Cunard Liners With Specht's Bands

When Paul Specht opens at the new Hotel Alamac, New York, Sept. 15, he will feature a new "blues" trot, introduced during his London stay.

It is danced to "hot" dance music and yet calls for no extra floor leeway, despite the indigo tune. Its popularity was demonstrated by the Britishers, who meticulously sidestep any suggestive dancing.

Specht has currently interested the dance masters' association in the idea with a view of featuring the new rhythm simultaneously. Specht has been commissioned to send over three bands to the J. Lyons Co., in London, the first of which, the Lady Syncopators, leaves in December. Major Montague Gluckstein, managing director of J. Lyons & Co., Ltd., will personally come over for the Alamac hotel opening and will further confer on the new musical offerings.

The Lyons concern operates a string of restaurants in the British Isles and are likened in number to the Childs' chain, although of a higher grade. Practically every other one has a musical feature. Specht will also export several jazz pianists to inject the American dance idea into the native combinations on Major Gluckstein's invitation.

The eight Cunard steamers will also henceforth feature Specht bands.

The dance maestro also has an idea that if any British labor troubles arise through the sending over of American jazz musicians that he will take up retaliatory measures with President Weber of the A. F. M. concerning British musicians in this country.

PAY IN MARKS

Munich Musicians Get $15 Monthly, American

Decatur, Ill., Aug. 30.

A. Siegfried, formerly manager of the Bijou and some years ago appearing in vaudeville, says an orchestra leader in Munich recently said he paid the 140 men of his orchestra what amounts to about $15 a month in American money.

MUSICAL NOTES

Meyer Davis has contracted to furnish two orchestras to the Cinderella Dancing, the newest Broadway dance place, opening in September. The larger combination will be Davis' Whitehouse Band, the combination that has been appearing at the Hotel Shelburne all summer. The other band will be a six or seven-piece organization.

Organists' Convention

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 30.

A series of notable organ recitals is being given this week at the Eastman School of Music during the 16th annual convention of the National Association of Organists.

Wednesday evening a festival organ concert was given at the Eastman theatre by visiting organists. Dr. T. Tertius Noble, organist of St. Thomas' Church, New York, is president of the organists. The convention recitals are being held in Kilbourn hall. After the organists are seated the balance of the seats are free. Regular admission prices were charged to the theatre on Wednesday evening, the picture program following the concert.

Music in Winter

Tampa, Fla., Aug. 30.

More than 50 bids have been received by the local chamber of commerce from band concerns offering to supply the city with music during the winter season. The city and county annually appropriates a large sum for music.

The Victor Co. reports a spurt in sales of former President Harding's records. The proceeds of the late chief executive's disk speeches go to the Red Cross.

BAND AND ORCHESTRA ROUTES

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A

Felix Alterwitz, McAlpin Hotel, New York.

B

Baldwin, Buddy, Castles-by-the Sea, Long Beach, L. I.
Burt, Al, Beaux Arts, Atlantic City.
Boyle, Billy, Copley-Plaza, Boston.
Bernie, Ben, Orpheum Circuit.
Berne, Robert, Briarcliff Lodge, Briarcliff, N. Y.
Bavetta, Prof., Starlight Park, New York.
Basile, Joe, Columbia Park, New Jersey; New York Velodrome; Newark City Parks; Dreamland Park, Newark, N. J.
Boyle, Andy, Morgan's, Coney Island.
Clarence Bush, Tappan's, Sheepshead Bay.
Lou Burnhouse, Jerome's, Sheepshead Bay.
Gus Bott, Biltmore Hotel, New York.
Jack Beck, Blossom Heath Inn, Lynbrook, L. I.

C

Carr, Jimmy, El Cadia, Atlantic City.
Coleman, Emil, Montmartre, New York.
California Ramblers, California Rambler Inn, Pelham Parkway, New York City.
Causer, Bob, U. S. Hotel, Saratoga, N. Y.
Creatore and Band — Colonial, Syracuse, Aug. 20-25.
Cervonnes' Band, Detroit, Mich., Aug. 30-Sept. 8.
Chenette, Ed.'s, Band, Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 3-9.
Harry Cox, Biggit's Hotel, Spring Lake, N. J.
Mel Craig, Feltman's, Coney Island.
Richard Cohen, Vanderbilt Hotel, New York.

D

Davis, Meyer, Briarbound, Bar Harbor, Me.
Davis Orchestra, Hotel Shelburne, Brighton Beach, N. Y.
Davis, Eddie, Canoe Place Inn, Southampton, L. I.
Dornberger, Charles, White's "Scandals," Globe, New York.
Doring, G. F., Saratoga (N. Y.) Racetrack.
Jerry Drew and Band — Dance Casino, Columbia Park, Union Hill, N. J., indefinitely.
Durante, Jimmy, College Inn, Coney Island.
Dixieland Jazz Band, Danceland, Coney Island.
Jim DeWitt, Murray's, Rockaway Beach.
Dicker's Orchestra, Edgemere Club, Edgemere, L. I.

E

Elkins, Eddie, Hotel Nassau, Long Beach, L. I.
Epps, Al, Hotel Astor, New York.

F

Frost, Chester, Hotel Lorraine, Edgemere, L. I.
Frye, Charles, Million Dollar Pier, Atlantic City.
Frye, Fred, Chateau Thiery, New York.
Franko, Nahan, Hotel McAlpin, New York.
Fischer, Louis, Palisades Park, New Jersey.
E. A. Fink, Luchow's Restaurant, New York.

G

Gibson, Joe, Hoffman's Inn, Valley Stream, L. I.
Green, Jack (Elkele's Orchestra), Club Deauville, New York.
Grabel's Western Electric Band, Chicago.
Goldman, Edwin Franko, Central Park, New York.
Gray, Chauncey, Louise Bowers, Keith Vaude.
Frank Gillen, Monte Carlo, New York.
Dan Gregory's Orchestra, St. Nicholas Rink, New York.
Andy Grant, Terrace Garden, New York.
Charles Gillen, Shore Inn, Canarsie, L. I.
Emil Grosso, Ben Hur, City Island, New York.
Monroe Goodman, 400 Club, New York.

H

Hallett, Mal, Roseland Dance Hall, Lawrence, Mass.

I

Indiana Syncopators, The Clarendon, Rockaway Beach.

J

James Boys, "Little Jesse James," New York.
Johnson, Johnny, Ross Fenton Farms, Asbury Park.
Jockeers, Al, Woodmansten Inn, Pelham Parkway, N. Y.
Miss Hirsh's Orchestra, Ravenhall's, Coney Island.
Knecht, Joe, Hotel Waldorf, New York.

L

Lannin, Sam, Wildwood Casino, Wildwood, N. J.
Lopez, Vincent, Hotel Pennsylvania, New York.
Lopez, Vincent, Red Caps, Orpheum Circuit.
Landau's Southland Entertainers, Edgett's Harbor Inn, Rockaway, L. I.
Lambert Bros., Palm Gardens, Nantasket, Mass.
Levitore, Bernard, Hotel Commodore, New York.
Lambert, Eben, Manhattan Beach.
Joe Lanin, Roseland, New York.
J. E. Lightfoot, Sheepshead Bay.
Leventhal's Orchestra, Arcadia Inn, Canarsie, L. I.

M

Menin's, Lou, Orchestra, China Inn, N. Y.
Meroff, Ben, "Nifties of 1924," Columbia Wheel burlesque.
Mitchell, Al, Arcadia, Providence, R. I.
Miller, Ray, Ritz Carlton, Atlantic City.
Moore, Dinty, Chateau Laurier, City Island, N. Y.
Martucci, Simone, Keith Vaudeville, Pat Rooney.
Meyer, Martin, Trenton Fair, Trenton, N. J.
Meyers, Burt, Nautical Gardens, Revere Beach, Mass.
Muer, Al, Reed's Dock, Rockaway Point.
Walter Mulford, Luna Park Dance Hall, Coney Island.
Frank Mansfield, Feltman's Coney Island.
Burt Mulvey, Palais de Danse, Rockaway Beach.
Ed Minkler, Kuehn's, Broad Channel, L. I.

N

Nafzay, Hazay, Hotel Biltmore, New York.

P

Pryor, Arthur, Luna Park, Coney Island.
Parker, Don, Strand Roof, New York.
Pearl, Morey, Shore Gardens, Nantasket, Mass.
Pennsylvania Serenaders, Grand Union, Saratoga, N. Y.
Pershing's Band, W. J. Stannard, leader, Washington Barracks, Washington, D. C.
Al Nap, Shapiro & Hart's, Canarsie, L. I.

O

Nicholas Orlando, Plaza Hotel, New York.

P

Curt Peters, Rendezvous, New York.
Patterson's Band, Casino dance hall, Asbury Park, N. J.

R

Reisman, Leo, Brunswick Hotel, Boston.
Rapp, Barney, Hotel Chase, St. Louis.
Raymond, Joe, Pavilion Royal, Lynbrook, L. I.
Leo Riggs, Hotel Astor, New York.
Saul Rogers, Janssen's Hofbrau, New York.
G. Rumno, Arrowhead Inn, New York.
Al Raymo Orchestra, Perry's, Coney Island.
Fred Reiss, Trommer's, Brooklyn.
Ted Rieth, Biely Ray's Hall, Canarsie, L. I.

S

Strickland, Charlie, Garden Pier, Atlantic City.
Selvin, Benny, Moulin Rouge, New York.
Siegel, Al, Mountain Inn, Lynbrook, L. I.
Stevens, Lee, Clover Gardens, New York.
Stern, Harold, Hotel Belleclaire, New York.
Stoddard, Harry, Orpheum Circuit.
Silvers, Frank, Pelham Heath Inn, Pelham Parkway, New York.
Salter, Dave, New Bedford Roof, New Bedford, Mass.
Schilling's Band, Louisville.
Stern, Harold, Brighton Beach Baths; Manhattan Beach Baths.
Shannon, Tom, 23d Regiment Band, Prospect Park, Brooklyn, N. Y., Saturday and Sunday.
Schadd, Dick T., 1st Regiment Band, Olympic Park, Newark, N. J.
Smith, Roy B.'s Royal Scotch Highlanders of St. Petersburg, Fla., Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 3-9.
Stroute, Earl, Military Hussars, Detroit, Mich., Sept. 3.
Sweet, Al, Singing Hussars, Bethany, Mo., Sept. 7-8.
Harold Stern, Brighton Beach Baths, Brighton.
Sid Springer, Stauch's, Coney Island.
St. Louis Five, The Breakers, Coney Island.
Schmidt's, Max, Band, Midland Beach.
Joseph C. Smith, Hotel Plaza, New York.
Jack Shilkret, The Tent, New York.

T

Tyler, William, Hunter Island Inn, Pelham Parkway, New York.

Y

Yerkes' Flotilla, Loew Vaudeville.
Yerkes' Happy Six, "I'll Say She Does."
Von Shillagh's Band, St. Nicholas Rink, New York.
James Victor, Luna Park, Coney Island.
Victor's Band, Columbia Park, Union Hill, N. J.

W

Wallace, Ban-Jo, Palais Royal, Atlantic City.
Wabash Serenaders, Brighton Beach Dance Hall, Brighton.
Harry E. Webb, vaudeville, Buffalo (this week).
Paul Whiteman, Palais Royal, New York, from Sept. 23.
Billy Wynne, Greenwich Village Inn.

BAND MUSIC FREELY USED BY FAIRS THIS SEASON

Dance Craze, Phonograph Records and General Ballyhoo Swing Fairs Over More Heavily on the Musical Side

The fair associations all over the country are plunging on music this year. The smaller fairs have bands ranging in size upward of 30 pieces, while the big state fairs have two, three or more bands, with special band contests provided for that bring out at least 10 brass bands, both amateur and professional.

The secretary of one of the fairs about to open in the east, when asked the reason for the sudden swing to music, replied: "Music has always been a part of a fair program. It serves as a ballyhoo and to keep the crowds in good humor. It helps to put over events with proper showmanship, and it stimulates activity."

A new angle to the use of music is that the public is still in the throes of the dance craze, and in many of the fair parks dance halls have been built to provide for the younger element.

Through the medium of the phonograph records and the newspapers, dance organizations have received a good deal of acknowledgment.

The fair associations have found that an out-of-town organization, properly billed, is a big attraction.

Several fairs have engaged bands of national reputation, some paying as much as $3,000 for the week or 10 days that the fair runs. In almost all cases, besides the visiting aggregation, a local combination is employed, the rivalry between the organizations being friendly and beneficial to both.

The local bands learn a good deal in the way of modern musical rendition from the visiting organization, and the visiting players often acquire valuable talent that would otherwise be permanently buried in the small-town bands.

Music Publishers and Picture Men May Agree

Indications are that the Motion Picture Theatre Owners of America and the general music interests will finally reach some final understanding shortly on the music tax proposition, a long standing issue between both factions. E. C. Mills representing the music publishers and composers, and Sydney S. Cohen, head of the M. P. T. O. A., had a long conference in Atlantic City recently on the matter.

Cohen states he will issue an important statement next week on this particular phase of the picture industry. The theatre owners and Mills agreed that the joint statement will first be approved by both factions before made public.

Music Situation Brighter

Despite some of the publishers' pessimistic reports, the music business is really quite good. Sheet music is selling encouragingly and has been doing rather well despite the lean summer season. The mechanical royalties also were not as bad as several music men painted them.

Last week's Kresge store listing has the following five best sellers in order named: "Yes, We Have No Bananas," "Barney Google," "My Sweetie Went Away," "Swinging Down the Lane" and "Louisville Lou."

Postpone Specht's Opening

Paul Specht's Palace, New York, date has been set back to Oct. 1 at the band leader's request.

The orchestra was set to open this week at the Keith house, but the fact that the combination had been steadily working for the past 18 months necessitated a vacation upon their return from London.

Vocalion Disk Releases Weekly

The Vocalion record will be released weekly starting the middle of September. The Victor and Brunswick brands will also put into effect the same idea of releasing special numbers each week.

Blowdown at Secea Fair

Tiffin, Ohio, Aug. 30.

Tents pitched for the Secea county fair were blown down by a windstorm, accompanied by rain.

Dust was carried that ruined many of the displays.

HONKY TONKS

Places Around Schenectady Getting Bad Name

Schenectady, N. Y., Aug. 30.

There are a few cabarets and honky tonk places outside of here unpopular with female professionals who have returned to their agents, reporting conditions far from favorable. There is no "rough stuff" excepting that these resorts do not advise their metropolitan bookers that they demand late hours of the performers.

One singing woman came there and found she would be called on until late in the morning, also expected to mix. She objected to both features and was summarily locked up in her room all night. She went to the village sheriff the next morning for assistance in getting her fare back to New York.

The New York booking agencies have decided to pass up rendering services for such places.

DANCING PAIR CAN'T LOOK AT EACH OTHER

Kalamazoo Has 28 New Rules for Those Who Dance

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Dancing partners will be prohibited from looking into each other's eyes, on the argument that breathing into each other's faces is detrimental to health, if a series of amendments proposed for the dancing ordinance at Kalamazoo, Mich., pass.

There are 28 amendments proposed, designed to prohibit offensive attitudes and objectionable steps, framed after three years of supervision by policewomen.

One amendment requires dancers to adopt a forward poise and keep moving in one direction, and another forbidding women to place arms around partner's necks.

The touching of heads is also banned.

Davis After Society.

Meyer Davis, Washington orchestra leader, who has been strong in the society field in Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore and the South for several years, has come into New York again and opened offices at 32 West 52nd street.

Davis intends to go after the New York society business along new lines and with an intensive campaign.

Johhny Hamp's Band for Vaud

Johnny Hamp and his orchestra will close their engagement at the Hotel Ambassador, Atlantic City, on Sept. 8 and will then play three weeks of Keith vaudeville, opening the new Keith theatre in Akron, Ohio, on Sept. 17. They will then go to the Hotel Sinton, Cincinnati, for a three months' engagement.

Sunday Night-Monday Morn

Clear Lake, Iowa, Aug. 30.

The authorities demanded that Sunday night dances stop at the Rayside Amusement Park.

The management complied, starting Monday morning dances. The dances open at one o'clock and close at three.

The Tent, the Chicago cabaret recently raided by the local police, may be reopened during September by Jack Lanigan.

FIFTEEN ORCHESTRAS To Open in Vaudeville. Others to Follow

Fifteen bands and orchestras are now rehearsing for vaudeville, and all will open within the next few weeks.

This is said to be a forerunner, with booking offices predicting there will be fully as many orchestras playing the big time this year as last.

It is known one agent has 15 orchestras under contract.

U. S. MUSIC NOT WANTED IN S. A.

Native Players and Tangos More Popular

American orchestras are not in demand in the South American countries and the American style of playing is not popular in cabarets there except the small minority of places patronized by English and Americans.

Several of the orchestras playing on the Shipping Board boats have made it a practice to play while ashore at Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Para and several other of the coast cities, but the demand for their music was small. Native bands playing native music, tangoes especially, received most of the native patronage.

The small Anglo-Saxon colonies in these cities have certain cabarets which they frequent and in these the American numbers are sometimes played, but for the most part native tunes predominate.

Music Lives Longer

A peculiar feature of the song business in South America is that a tune which becomes a hit does not die out suddenly, but lasts in the public fancy for a year of more, with everyone whistling or strumming it day and night. Fewer songs are published than in America, but those published get a bigger play.

Styles of dancing remain practically unchanged with the waltz and tango still being the most popular steps, and attempts to introduce the fox trot being frowned on by the natives.

Instrumentation in the native orchestras runs for the most part to string, the violin, 'cello, bass violin and piano being the usual instruments, with occasionally drums and some brass. Very few saxophones are employed. Music is played straight without any attempt at special arrangements or orchestrations.

Although the South American countries are wet, the drink prices in the better class cabarets range on a par with or above the prevailing New York rates. The majority of the high class cabarets in Buenos Aires charge from 75 cents to a dollar a drink, depending on style of drink. Entertainment consists for the most part of dancing with an occasional singer. Couvert charges are small if they are charged at all.

Murray's to Reopen

Murray's Roman Gardens, on West 42nd street, which closed last spring because of the federal authorities, will reopen again in November under the management of Charles Grohll. At the time of closing Murray's was not under indictment.

When Murray's was closed as a cabaret it was announced that the proprietors intended to turn the upper floors into apartments and the lower floors into stores, but the work of reconstructing for this purpose was never begun.

Grand Opera at Exposition

Waco, Texas, Aug. 30.

Grand opera by the San Carlos Company of New York will be a feature of the Texas Cotton Palace Exposition, Oct. 29-Nov. 4.

CAPITAL POLICE INVESTIGATE HOTEL DANCES AND SCHOOLS

Many Complaints Registered Against Both—Diplomats Luring Young Girls, Is Charge—Sanitary Conditions Are Said to Be Bad

Variety-Clipper Bureau, Evans Bldg., Washington, Aug. 30.

Right on top of a report to the District Commissioners from the Women's City Club of Washington, who, after a year's study of the situation, requesting control of the local dance halls, comes the statement from Mrs. Mina Van Winkle, lieutenant in the District Police, and head of the Woman's Department, that girls at hotel dances are being lured by diplomats, and that schools for dancing are conducted in an atmosphere of immorality that is playing havoc among the young folks of the District.

Mrs. Van Winkle states, among other charges, that the supper dances at certain hotels, which are widely attended, are the hunting grounds of these diplomats, who maintain rooms for their purposes right in the hotels in question. It is reported that other guests have complained of these orgies, in which the young girls have been lured to the rooms of the young diplomats as well as officially prominent men in Washington life.

Other charges are made by Mrs. Van Winkle, who says that outside of the so-called private dancing academies are parked innumerable taxicabs and private limousines, whose chauffeurs mingle with the dancers as panderers.

Corporation Council's Aide Asked

The corporation counsel is to be asked to study the situation and devise means to stop the conditions. As an effective means of bringing this about the Women's City Club have proposed an act in which it would be unlawful to permit a girl under eighteen years of age on the public dance floors.

The commissioners are asked to provide that neighborhoods where dance halls are to be opened be closely investigated. That the character and reputation of those asking for licenses be looked into, and that dance halls connected with rooming houses be granted permits only after rigid inspection.

One member of the woman's committee stated sanitary conditions in a large number of the dancing places are ghastly. It is recommended that a dressing room for ladies be provided at each hall.

VICTOR TOUR

Opens Sept. 15 — Names of Artists

The forthcoming tour of the Victor Talking Machine artists, starting at Elkhart, Ind., about Sept. 15, will be the sixth annual cross-country concert trip to be made by the Victor group of entertainers.

This season's aggregation will consist of Billy Murray, singer; Monroe Silver, monologist; Rudy Wiedoft, saxo; Henry Burr, tenor; Al Campbell, Frank Banta, Frank Croxton and John Myers, vocalists.

The company will play but three weeks out of each four weeks, to permit of record-making. The last season's tour netted $60,000 for the eight artists making it in conjunction with the Victor depots.

$10,000 PROFIT AT MARATHON CO. FAIR

Despite the Threatening Weather, Attendance Record Beaten

Wausau, Wis., Aug. 30.

The Marathon County Agricultural Society will net at least $10,000 on the fair held last week, according to A. W. Prehm, secretary.

The interest was greater than ever before in the fair, and the people were pleased.

Despite bad and threatening weather the Wisconsin Valley Fair and Exposition surpassed in attendance its previous record for the first three days by 10,000. The attendance Wednesday was 18,000, and Thursday 22,000. There were over 6,000 people in the grandstand and bleachers two nights to see the free acts and fireworks.

The Pike horse races gave the best entertainment the fair has ever had of this nature. The exhibits outdid those of previous years.

Grant Stores Not Interested

The Bell Record Corp., formed by George W. Beynon, has arranged to retail its product through the W. T. Grant syndicate stores.

The Grant company explains that it is in no wise interested in the manufacturing end, being strictly a retail enterprise, and that it has agreed to handle the Bell product in its stores like it does any other commodity.

Santrey's Musical Bookings

Henry Santrey, who heads a band in vaudeville, has gone into the musical booking agency business in conjunction with his professional interests.

Santrey's featuring of booking symphonic dance orchestras will be literal in that actual recruits from symphony orchestras will be included among the jazzists to add the necessary symphonic touch.

Trianon, Newark, Opens Sept. 5

The Capitol, Newark, N. J., has been renamed the Trianon dance hall and enlarged to accommodate 2,000 people. Ted and Art Weems and their Trianon Ten, a Paul Specht unit, will supply the dance music.

The Trianon opens Sept. 5.

College Songs Popular

Two college fraternity songs are currently attaining unusual national popularity for this type of composition. The "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" waltz is a popular ballroom number in college towns and out, as is the "Dream Girl of Pi K A," also a waltz, but more often played as a fox trot. The "Pi K A" number is the Pi Kappa Alpha's official frat number. Both have been released widely on the "mechanicale."

The Odd Fellows' official song for 1923, "He Is an Odd Fellow," is also to be strongly exploited as a popular dance tune, and is also being lined up on the records and music rolls.

Old Fiddler's Contest

Amarillo, Texas, Aug. 30.

An old fiddlers' contest will be a feature of the convention of the Panhandlers' Old Settlers' Association, to meet in Amarillo, Sept. 26, in conjunction with the Tri-State Exposition.

From Radio to Disks

The Hotel Astor orchestra has been signed to make records for the Emerson Co. Their radio performances via WJZ were partially responsible for the Emerson decision to exploit the band on the disks.

Hyde's Reduced Band

Alex Hyde's orchestra current at Loew's State, New York, numbers only 10 men. When playing an extended engagement at Braves' Field, Boston, Hyde had 50 pieces.

The Texas Bandmasters' Assn. was entertained at Weatherford, Tex., Aug. 15, with a watermelon feast.

BAND and ORCHESTRA (Other Band and Orchestra News and Routes on page 20)

HERE AND THERE

Pennsylvania Dance Craze

The dance craze has hit the anthracite belt of Pennsylvania. Every kind of summer resort, park or lake has a dance pavilion. Moosic Lake, with dancing, swimming and boating the attractions. Saxon's Orchestra furnishes the music. Billy Purvis' dance pavilion at Sheridan Lake, Memorial Park, Dunmore, where swimming, dancing, and a few rides are installed.

Besides these there are two pretentious parks near Scranton, Rocky Glen and Nay Aug Park. The latter is a municipal park. It has besides a zoo the latest riding devices, a dance hall, picnic ground, bowling alleys, etc.

Rocky Glen is run by the Nallin and Jennings Park Co., Park Manager P. J. Kelly, but locally the owners are named as the Laurel Line & Wyoming Valley R. R., whose lines are the only mode of transportation to Rocky Glen.

The dance craze is also responsible for the formation of local jazz bands. Two especially are in demand for these occasions, Saxon's Orchestra and Dave Harmon's Hollywood Nine. The others are seldom idle, the demand for band music greatly exceeding the supply.

Interest of Otto Ray, city councilman, in Casino Gardens, a dance resort on White River, near Indianapolis, has been bought by Maurice J. Peele, real estate dealer. Consideration was not given. Policy and management remain unchanged. Garnett Davis, who with Ray has operated the place for several months, retains his interest. Ray will devote all his time to his former business, plumbing.

Bert Kelley's "Stables," a Chicago cabaret advertised as far away as the Pacific coast and interesting through its novelty, is to be raided in spite of the injunction protecting the place, according to statements attributed to Capt. Pat Gallery, of the Chicago avenue station. A porter and a bouncer at "The Stables" are charged with assisting in the distribution of liquor to patrons, and the case was set for hearing this week.

Applies to Reservations

An important opinion rendered by the United States Attorney General's office holds that the provisions of the Volstead act apply to Indian reservations and that the law is to be enforced there. The opinion was written by Assistant Attorney General Mabel W. Willebrandt, the only woman who has ever occupied such a position. She contends that if the provisions of the Volstead act and the amendment to the constitution were not to apply to Indian reservations Congress would have specifically exempted such reservations in the law. The specific exemption which allows liquor to be transported through the Panama Canal is cited.

The case of Joseph Lazore, a St. Regis Indian, who challenged the right of the federal government to prosecute him under the law, is included in the opinion of Mrs. Willebrandt, which was written in answer to a request by chiefs of the Onondaga Indian tribes that the government intervene to eliminate whiskey stills on the reservations. Enforcement of the law on the St. Regis reservations, as well as on the others, has been ordered.

Police Sergeant Cheneu was tried Aug. 17 before Chief Inspector Lahey in New York on charges of oppression laid against him by The Tent (cabaret), New York, management. Cheneu testified he had visited The Tent but twice in four months, each time at the direction of Inspector Boland. Frank, one of The Tent owners, under cross-examination, said he might have been hasty and that he was "sore" when 200 guests in the cabaret had to walk out at 1 a. m. The charge was dismissed.

A well raided beer resort, located in the upper Forties in back of a store front, has a policeman stationed with the place while outside is a tip-off man. The latter instructs all patrons to order near beer, which is for the benefit of the copper. The quarter placed on the bar is the real evidence of what is wanted and the barkeep promptly serves what is supposed to be brew of about 4 per cent. alcoholic content.

The Long Beach, L. I., police department staged a sudden raid on the Lido Inn Wednesday night and arrested the manager and twelve men who were in the place. The Lido Inn has been run as a gambling resort all summer and possessed an up-to-date roulette layout and several poker and other card tables. Play had been running high all season, at some times bets of $2,000 to $5,000 being laid. Crap games at times reached the point where $10,000 was on the table on one roll.

Band masters with tented enterprises who have been interviewed around Chicago ridicule the idea of paying royalty to the publishers and composers for the mere privilege of playing popular selections and are of the opinion that they deserve pay for introducing the tunes into the communities visited if there is anything due to either side.

W. B. Fowler, bandmaster with the Walter L. Main circus, who has been with that organization for four years and was previously with the Buffalo Bill Wild West, said: "I would not spend a nickel for the right to use all the popular music ever published or that ever will be published. I use many popular numbers at present because I am requested to do so by the acts and not because I fancy them. I think the publishers and composers ought to pay me for introducing their songs into communities they can't reach. There is no credit to a show band in playing a real new number for the public which hears our bands don't know what it is and manifest no interest."

Fletcher Smith, who plays the calliope with the Main circus, said that he used a couple of copyrighted pop numbers on the morning of the day he was interviewed and that there was no commotion up town because he did so.

H. H. Whittier, who has had the direction of th Moose Band in Chicago for five years, but previous to that was with various circuses, points out that he played a pop ballad hit last summer with his band and it got nothing for him, as the song did not become generally popular until last winter. "I am using mostly all old music,' he said, "because I like it better. The popular music is by no means a necessity for the show band or for my purposes."

Musical booking agencies report that the average musician has become more or less a drug on the market. At the height of the jazz band craze a man was worth $100-$125 a week. Now the average is $65-$75 and often less. The cabarets and hotels want a five-people combination for $300 weekly and less with the result this field is being passed up in favor of private entertainment work. The hostesses at various society functions usually call for a band's services about four times a year. Also, from among the guests, the musical contractor often obtains a few other calls. Remuneration exceeds the choicest of cabaret work in great proportion.

The Salvins are conceded as being the only cabaret firm paying any real money for its music.

The August issue of the "Dominant" will be the last of this band and orchestra magazine under the independent management of B. N. Beck, who has conducted it during the 14 years of its existence. By a pooling arrangement with George Hilbert of the "Metronome," a similar trade paper, both will be published separately but controlled jointly by Hilbert & Beck, the latter having also acquired through the deal an interest in the "Metronome." This deal was put up to the late Carl Fischer, backer of the "Metronome," and was turned down, but it is now sanctioned by his son Walter Fischer.

Jacob J. Schilling, of Louisville, is furnishing the military bands and the dance orchestras that have been appearing with most of the carnivals and fairs in Kentucky this summer.

Special Arrangements

Band and orchestra managers in the biggest publishing houses have solved the problem of special arrangements for the more prominent bands by getting up special editions on their number one plugs, with arrangements made by the best arrangers, these sent to orchestra leaders who request specials or to those whose name and work can be counted on to help put a number over.

CARNIVAL ROUTES

Bay State Expo.
Aug. 27, St. Johnsburg, Vt.; 3, Barton, Vt.

Bernardi Expos. Shows
Sept. 4, Dickinson, N. D.; 10, Wibaux, N. D.; 17, Billings, Mont.; 24, Helena.

Boyd & Linderman
Until Sept. 8, Cincinnati, Ohio (Fall Festival).

K. G. Barkoot
Sept. 3, La Porte, Ind.

S. W. Brundage
Sept. 3, Watseka, Ill.

Brown & Dyer
Sept. 3, Norfolk, Va.

Billick's Gold Medal Shows
Sept. 3, Albia, Iowa.

Barlow's Big City Shows
Sept. 3, Seneca, Kan. (fair); Sept. 10, Valley Falls, Kan. (fair).

Cotton Belt Shows
Sept. 3, Wichita Falls, Texas; Sept. 10, Ardmore, Okla.

Dodson's World's Fair Shows
Sept. 4, Greenville, Texas.

Dekrocko Bros.
Sept. 3, Marshfield, Wis. (fair); Sept. 10, Antigo, Wis., 17; Oshkosh, Wis. (fair).

Doris Greater Shows
Sept. 3, Greely Center, Neb.; 10, Burwell, Neb.; 17, St. Paul, Neb.; 24, Loup City, Neb.

George L. Dobyns Shows
Sept. 3, Rochester, N. Y.; 10, Syracuse, N. Y. (fair); 17, Batavia, N. Y. (fair).

Isler Greater Shows
Sept. 3, What Cheer, Iowa; 10, Missouri Vailley, Iowa.

Johnny J. Jones
Until Sept. 8, Toronto, Can. (exposition); 10, London, Ont., Can.

Con T. Kennedy
Sept. 3, Lincoln, Neb. (State Fair); 10, Topeka, Kan. (fair); 17, Hutchinson, Kan. (State Fair); 24, Oklahoma City, Okla. (State Fair).

Lachman Exposition Shows
Sept. 3, North Platte, Neb.; 10, Ogallalla, Neb.; 17, Denver, Col.

C. R. Leggette Shows
Sept. 5, Lamar, Mo.; 12, Springfield, Mo.; 19, Fayetteville, Ark.

Littlejohns United Shows
Sept. 25-29, Americus, Ga. (fair).

J. George Loos
Sept. 3, Gainesville, Tex.

Metropolitan Shows
Sept. 3, Buckhannon, W. Va. (fair); 10, Clarksburg, W. Va. (fair); Sept. 17, Weston, W. Va. (fair); 24, Oakland, Md. (fair).

Miller Brothers' Show
Sept. 3, Bowling Green, Ky.

Miller & Roberts
Sept. 3, Sistersville, W. Va.; 10, Morgantown, W. Va.

Morris & Castle
Sept. 3, Superior, Wis. (fair); 10, Chippewa Falls, Wis. (fair); 17, Lacrosse, Wis. (fair); 24, Beaver Dam, Wis. (fair); Oct. 1, Batesville, Ark (fair).

D. D. Murphy Shows
Sept. 3, East St. Louis, Ill.; 10, Charleston, Ill.; 17, Mattoon, Ill.

Great Patterson Shows
Sept. 3, Fairbury, Ill. (fair); 10, Ottawa, Ill.

Greater Sheesley Shows
Sept. 3, Timinium, Md. (State Fair); 10, Mt. Holly, N. J. (fair); 17, Hanover, Pa. (fair); 24, Trenton, N. J. (fair); Oct. 1, Richmond, Va. (State Fair).

Nat Reiss
Sept. 3, Ottawa, Kan.; 10, Sikeston, Mo.; 17, Cape Giradeau, Mo.; 24, Carruthersville, Mo.

Rubin & Cherry
Sept. 3, Indianapolis, Ind. (State Fair); 10, Jackson, Tenn. (fair); 17, Huntsville, Ala. (fair); 24, Birmingham, Ala.

Scott Greater Shows, No. 1
Sept. 3, Iebanon, Va.; 10, Wise, Va.

Scott Greater Shows, No. 2
Sept. 3, Corbin, Ky. (fair); 10, Bristol, Va. (fair).

Otis L. Smith Shows
Sept. 3, Fonda, N. Y.; 10, Ft. Plain, N. Y.

Virginia Exposition Shows
Sept. 3, Gate City, Va. (fair); 10, Mountain City, Tenn.; 17, Clintwood, Va. (fair).

Wade & May
Sept. 3, Logansport, Ind.

Wortham's World's Best Shows
Sept. 3, Minneapolis, Minn. (State Fair); 10, Sioux City, Iowa.

John T. Wortham
Sept. 3, Bethany, Mo.; 10, Atchison, Kan.

World at Home Shows
Sept. 3, Staunton, W. Va.; 11-15, Covington, Va.; 18-21, Lexington, Va.

Ziedman & Pollie
Sept. 3, Oak Hill, W. Va.; 17, Roanoke, W. Va.; 24, Lynchburg, Va. (fair).

C. F. Zieger United Shows
Sept. 3, Plainview, Minn. (fair); 11-15, Blue Earth, Minn. (fair); 17-21, Jefferson, Iowa (fair).

Western Bay State
Aug. 27, Taunton, Mass.; Sept. 3, Worcester.

SEND ROUTES BY TUESDAY

Orchestra and band leaders are requested to mail their current week's route to reach Clipper by Tuesday. This will guarantee publication for same week.

POOR CHAUTAUQUA

No More at Hornell, N. Y., as Result

Hornell, N. Y., Aug. 30.

There will be no chautauqua here next year as a result of the current event proving a financial failure.

A poor program this year is held responsible for the lack of patronage.

Chautauquas Wanted Again Next Season

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The Chicago Redpath Chautauqua Bureau reports one of the most successful seasons in its history, covering 12 years. Out of 120 towns in Canada (Ontario), one Southern States, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin and Illinois, not a single one failed to arrange for the chautauqua again next season.

There have been five legitimate bills presented in connection with seven-day chautauquas, including "Turn to the Right," "Cappy Ricks," "Friendly Enemies," "Crossed Wires" and "Bubbles," with all but the last proving successful. The plan has been to present one show of this kind with each seven-day program.

Chautauqua Satisfies

Brockton, Mass., Aug. 23.

After a week of unprecedented attendance the Swarthmore Chautauqua closed its engagement in this city with positive assurances from the city guarantors of a return contract for next year.

Chairman James B. Fraser of the guarantors stated that in his opinion the chautauqua platformists presented an unequalled opportunity of exerting a permanent influence for the betterment and welfare of the community.

Thaviu's Band Drew

Livingston, Mont., Aug. 30.

Thaviu's Band was the closing feature of the Ellison-White chautauqua, and drew a big crowd to the brown top.

CIRCUS ROUTES

Ringling Bros.-B. B.
Sept. 3, San Jose, Cal.; 4, Stockton; 5, Modesto; 6, Fresno; 7, Visalia; 8, Bakersfield; 10, San Diego; 11, Santa Ana; 12-16, Los Angeles; 17, Long Beach; 18, San Bernardino; 19 enroute; 20, Provo, Utah; 21, Salt Lake City; 22, Ogden; 24, Denver, Col.

Sells-Floto
Aug. 30, Kewanee, Ill.; 31 Aurora; Sept. 1, Elgin; 3, Freeport; 4, DeKalb; 5, Dixon; 6, Clinton; 7, Muscatine, Ia.; 8, Burlington; 10, Quincy, Ill.

John Robinson
Aug. 30, Kalamazoo, Mich.; 31, Sturgis; Sept. 1, Plymouth; 7, Martinsville; 8, Bloomington; 10-15, Louisville, Ky. (fair).

Walter L. Main
Aug. 31, Noblesville, Ind.; Sept. 1, Alexandria; Sept. 3, Connorsville; 4, New Castie; 5, Greenburg; 6, Columbus; 7, Shelbyville; 8, Lawrenceburg.

Hagenbeck-Wallace
Aug. 30, Grand Island, Neb.; 31, Columbus; Sept. 1, Norfolk; Sept. 3, Council Bluffs, Ia.; 4, Hiawatha, Kan.; 5, St. Joseph, Mo.; 6, Atchison, Kan.; 7, Olathe (afternoon only); 8, Springfield, Mo.; 10, Ft. Smith, Ark.; 11, Muskogee, Okla.

Spark's Circus
Aug. 30, Beaver Dam, Wis.; 31, Watertown; Sept. 1, Richland Center; 3, Galesburg, Ill.

Al. G. Barnes
Sept. 3, Richmond, Ind.; 4, Greenfield; 5, Greencastle; 6, Franklin; 7, Seymour; 8, Mitchell.

OTHER ROUTES

C

Century Serenaders, "Mid Nite Frolic," Chicago, Ill.

D

DeQuarto, Peter, Colosimo's, Chicago, Ill.

F

Fiske, Ray, Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

Friars' Society Orchestra, Friars' Inn, Chicago, Ill.

H

Harvey, Cope, College Inn, Chicago, Ill.

Hann, Fred, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

J

Johnson, Arnold, Trianon Ball Room, Chicago, Ill.

M

Mullen, Joe, Montmarte Cafe, Chicago, Ill.

S

Straight, Charlie, Rendezvous, Chicago, Ill.

Stiendel, Ferdinand, Terrace Gardens, Chicago, Ill.

Sheetz, Jr., E. E., LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

Sherman, Maurie, Marigold Gardens, Chicago, Ill.

W

Westphal, Frank, Rainbo Gardens, Chicago, Ill.

POLLOCK TAKES NEW SPEECH RECORD

"The Fool" Author Will Give 123 Lectures Before Dec. 1

The Pond Bureau reports the greatest number of speaking engagements on record are booked for Channing Pollock, who passed the high water mark made two years ago by W. L. George.

Starting early next month the playwright has been booked for 123 lectures up to the first of December, at which time he is due to sail to aid in the London presentation of "The Fool" which he wrote. Pollock will make an average of over two addresses daily during the three months of fall. He will journey as far West as Denver in the speech-making tour.

Seven-Day Chautauquas

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The chautauqua at Edinburg, Ill., opened Sunday for seven days. The Scotch Duggins appeared Monday night, the Weber Male Quartette Tuesday night, and Bachman's band is scheduled for tonight. The Mercer concert company, the Harp Ensemble company and Goforth's Black and Gold Orchestra are coming features.

The Mattoon Chautauqua is being held the same period and includes all acts named above and in addition the Harry Davis opera company.

Kettering's Lincoln Play

Norton, Kan., Aug. 30.

Famahasika and his Pets failed to arrive here in time for the performance scheduled at the chautauqua. Kilties Band was the big feature, and Secretary Daniels was one of the talkers.

Ralph Kettering's Abraham Lincoln play, "The Great Commoner," was well liked.

Beilin with Witmark's

Al Beilin is non-professional manager with M. Witmark & Sons.

Beilin has sold his interest in the Beilin & Horowitz Music Co. to Willie Horowitz, who is continuing the business.

Al Cook, last professional manager for Witmark, and for 14 years with the firm, has been switched to the high class department.

ADVANCE SALE THRIFT TICKETS

Texas State Fair at Dallas Trying It

Dallas, Aug. 30.

Directors of the State Fair of Texas, to be held in Dallas, Oct. 13-28, have inaugurated the plan of thrift tickets, sold in advance of the fair.

The Dallas Fair this year, it is conceded, will be one of the brightest spots on the itinerary of the concessionaires.

Seven days of horse racing will be the big magnet.

ADMISSION RAISED

50c Against 35c Last Year at Crawford Co., O., Fair

Bucyrus, Ohio, Aug. 30.

The Crawford county fair will be held here Sept. 4-5-6-7. Admission is 50 cents, against 35 cents last year. Autos will be free. In the past a charge of 25 cents was made.

Acts engaged are Maud Fox' Canines; Capt. Schrenner, juggling clown; Three Marvelous Wells Warren Trio; Clifford, iron jaw; McElroy and Laurado, trick house Boltaire, lofty trapeze; Five Musical Magpies; Perrotte Duo, and Silver's Ballet (10).

CRITICAL NOTICE GIVEN 4 STATIONS IN CLIPPER OFFICE ON RAINY NIGHT

WEAF, WJZ, WHN and WAAM Listened In for During Two Hours—Song Plugging from WAAM; Classics From WEAF; Zimblers at WJZ and Best Ether Show From WHN—WHN's Showman-Announcer With Mental Telepathist Answering Radio Questions

A couple of hours' critical attention to Clipper's Freed-Eiseman Neutrodyne receiving set Tuesday disclosed how powerful that WHN (Loew) station has become. Its increase in power to 500 watts works little benefit on Clipper's receiver, stationed around the corner from the broadcasting station, although probably an improvement for distance purposes.

While the other stations are operating, the interference from WHN is negligible, but when the others pause between numbers the Loew station cannot be totally drowned despite efforts at tuning it out.

WAAM Song Plugging

Four stations were given attention Tuesday, WEAF, WJZ, WHN and WAAM, the latter in Newark, N. J. The WAAM program Tuesday was a song plugging marathon. It consisted primarily of popular numbers, with Louis Plotte, Jimmy Flynn and Bob Miller officiating for Feist. The Clarke & Leslie Entertainers had Sid Caine and Sam Goold duetting, vocalling and at piano. The Irving Berlin Entertainers concluded the festivities, with Jimmy Clark and Bernice Petker handling the vocal exploitation.

Classics From WEAF

WEAF (American Telephone & Telegraph Co.), broadcasting from 195 Broadway, New York, leaned mostly to the classic. The York Trio, under the direction of Edwin Grasse, consisting of Bert Brenner, violin; George F. Mahoney, piano, and Nat Cohen, cello, were a popular entry despite their favoring compositions by Mozkowsky, Tchaikowski, Iljinski, Mendelssohn et al. Minnie Weil, concert pianist, also rendered classic selections fetchingly.

Noticeable about the WEAF timing is its uncertainty. That is probably a necessary evil. The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. officials explained the reason they discourage this paper's idea of publishing next week's program in advance is because of that very fact. The timing is uncertain even from day to day.

Zimblers at WJZ

WJZ also had an instrument trio, The Zimbler Three, as an important contributor to the evening's entertainment. Isabelle Zimbler, violiniste; Mathilde Zimbler, celliste, and Zita Maginot, pianiste, comprise the combination. They contributed prolifically. They sound like a corking lyceum or chautauqua buy and there have been worse instrumetal trios heard on the disk records.

While on the subject of phonograph records, the Hotel Astor Roof orchestra put in an hour of solid dance music from 10 sharp by direct wire to the hostelry. Their continuous radio performances via WJZ has built them a following which should respond to the band's records of the Emerson brand. They came to the record company's attention in that fashion and sound like a worthy combination for dance music.

Best From WHN

WHN somehow gives the best programs heard so far. Probably because of the allied show angle. Showmanship via radio is as essential as before an audience in person. Nils T. Granlund (N.T.G.) is the showman of the station, officiating as announcer. The difference between his forceful and chatty discourse and the formula announcements of the other stations is marked. There is a warmth to the WHN announcer's chatter that is impressive.

Furthermore, Granlund displays his astuteness by starting his program at 9:30. As explained to the Clipper radio man, he doesn't want to keep his audience out of the theatres. The allied Loew interests account for that. Hence the late start, with the purpose that the stay-at-homes will have their amusement appetites whetted.

The best part of the program is saved for the hours approaching midnight. Granlund's intention is to give homecomers from the theatres something snappy to top their evening off. That's thorough showmanship.

Granlund's Novelty

Granlund introduced a radio novelty Tuesday. It was in the form of Leona LaMarr, the "girl with the thousand eyes," a vaudeville mental telepathist. Miss LaMarr is signed for a Loew tour, but no mention of it was made. As a matter of fact, not once during the critical listening-in on the WHN station was there any reference to Loew entertainment, being rather strange in view of the promiscuous and purposely intended plugging on previous occasions. Probably that's a change of policy for the station.

Miss LaMarr's performance was that impressive that she has but to be recalled and the desired effect will be obtained. Miss LaMarr explains that she will concentrate on "impressions" and read her radio audience's requests via the ether. Granlund had previously announced that many letters conntaining questions were mailed in advance of Miss LaMarr, but the telepathist decided to discard these and Granlund earnestly assured the listeners the performer was getting no assistance from the epistles.

The usual routine of questions were answered about one woman's husband making a success; a family addition will be due on such and such date; don't play that first horse tomorrow; your future husband will come along by the first of the year, etc. Miss LaMarr reeled off the questioners' names and addresses very distinctly. Granlund previously had requested those who were answered to acknowledge it by phone.

The foregoing were the highlights of a rainy evening when the "reception" was very poor.

Abel.

Radio Not Strong In Maritime Provinces

St. John's, N. B., Aug. 30.

In many sections the radio is said to be responsible in part for the slump in theatrical patronage. But this is not the case in eastern Canada.

The radio craze has not penetrated to such extent in eastern Canada as it has in other sections of America. The people of eastern Canada have been tardy in taking hold of the radio. In fact, the radio fans in eastern Canada are largely in the very small centres where there are in many cases no amusement places, not even a picture theatre. The radio has not been popularized in the cities and towns despite efforts on the part of radio supply houses.

QUEENS BORO EXPO.

First Time in History of Borough—Starts Sept. 29 in Jamaica, L. I.

The Queens Borough Industrial Show Corp. has been formed to sponsor the first industrial exposition of Queens, New York, slated to run from Sept. 29 to Oct. 6. The Jamaica Gardens will be utilized as the exposition grounds located on Jamaica avenue and Merrick Road.

A nightly show will be a feature of the expo.

Ventriloquist in Radio

Marshall Montgomery, the ventriloquist, will make his radio debut next Wednesday from station WOR, Newark. Montgomery will do his ventriloquial specialty.

B'WAY PRODUCTIONS TO USE RADIO PLUG

Many Current Attractions Taking Advantage of N. Y. Stations

Radio is entering as an important element in the exploitation of Broadway productions. A number of musical shows have made arrangements for the broadcasting of several of their numbers from the WHN and WJZ stations. These are the most popular centers because of their close proximity to the theatrical district, WHN's location on Broadway and 45th street being ideal.

Among those broadcast this and next week are "Adrienne," "Little Jesse James," "Helen of Troy, N. Y.," Balieff and "Chauve Souris," Leo Carillo, Raymond Hitchcock and others.

In addition, the Monte Carlo, Moulin Rouge and Strand Roof cabaret shows have arranged to perform via the ether from WHN, between 9.30 and 10.30 evenings.

Will Morrisey's "Newcomers" made their second radio appearance Monday from Station WOR. Two weeks ago they broadcast from WHN and received many letters and inquiries which reflected at the box office.

Similarly "Thumbs Down," the Charles Wanamaker, Inc., production at the 49th St. has had some response as a result of their last week's radio broadcasting from WOR.

Myron C. Fagan, the author of "Thumbs Down" followed this up Saturday night with a talk on "The Experience of a Young Author," in which he did not forget to mention his current play and the theatre it is playing at.

RADIO PAGE

STADIUM FIGHT DIRECT BY WJZ

Leonard-Dundee Mill to Be Promptly Broadcast

Station WJZ, New York, will broadcast the Leonard-Dundee fight Sept. 5 direct from the Yankee Stadium. A special microphone will be installed at ringside, and Major J. Andrew White, who has been commended for his vivid word pictures of previous athletic bouts, will again officiate as announcer.

All the preliminaries will also be broadcast, starting at 8:15 Wednesday evening.

Other features of WJZ's program next week include a recital by Eugene Berton, baritone, of "Popular Songs of Other Nations"; Thursday, Lafayette Day celebration, concluding with a broadcasting of the musical score of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" direct from the Astor theatre, New York, including a speech by Lon Chaney, the star.

Saturday night of next week at 10 sharp "The Gingham Girl" will be broadcast.

Radio's First Mind Reader

WHN, Loew's broadcasting station, was the first to have a mind reader work over the radio, when Leona La Mar, "The Girl with the 1,000 Eyes," gave a 20-minute act at 9 P. M. Tuesday night.

The station advertised the stunt a week in advance, asking radio fans to send in their questions, addressed to Leona La Mar, care of WHN. The 20 minutes allotted to the mind reader permitted her to answer only a small number of the letters which swamped the Loew office, some coming from as far as Georgia.

PICTURE ACTORS GUARDED BY RADIO

Company on Location Carries Portable Sets to Meet Any Emergency

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

The radio will now be employed to safeguard movie actors on location, especially in Death Valley. A company of players are on the way to that inferno of heat, quicksands, rattle snakes and poison pools, guided by "Death Valley Scotty" and "Shorty Harris." They will travel on motor trucks until roads give out, and then on burrows including among the equipment two complete radio transmitting and receiving sets.

In the event the company gets into any difficulty a call will be flashed from the portable set to Lone Pine, the base of supplies in the L. A. Aqueduct country. This station will maintain constant watch. Relief will be sent by airoplane in charge of Lieut. C. C. Mosely, kept in readiness for such emergency.

Oakland's G. E. Station Oct. 1

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 30.

The new General Electric broadcasting station will be in operation Oct. 1, according to present plans. It will be of 500 watts strength, making it equally as powerful as any station in the country.

Mardi Gras at Carlin's

Baltimore, Aug. 29.

Carlin's Park will hold a three weeks' Mardi Gras and carnival, beginning Saturday, Sept. 1.

VETERAN SHOWMAN VIEWS RADIO AS STRONG OPPOSITION IN FUTURE

Recalls Motion Picture Instance—Showmen of 20 Years Back Overlooked Pictures as Theatre Opposition of Today—As Result, Picture Industry Now in "Opportunists'" Control—Similar Parallel in Radio—Opposition to Theatre, Dance Hall and Cabaret

A showman was speaking about radio: "If we, the showmen of 20 years ago, could foresee then what the motion picture industry might mean today in the history of America's and the world's amusement, I assure you we'd have been the first to get in on the picture proposition. Maybe the movies might be in the hands of real showmen today instead of opportunists.

"Similarly with radio. We've had our lesson from pictures. Radio presents even a more startling aspect. It's not hard to believe that a system of booking stars of the greatest magnitude will prove the biggest opponent to show business in the future, be it legit or pictures, and that some day radio will keep half of the theatre-going public indoors in front of their receiving sets. Not alone will the theatres suffer but the dance halls and cabarets as well. The idea is vast in its possibilities and I'll confess that this radio proposition is interesting me strongly. I bet there are other showmen who feel the same way. The trouble is that most of them live in the present. They encourage radio by sending down their shows and productions in the hope of getting some exploitation and publicity across. Maybe it does mean a few extra ducats coke at the box office for the present, but if they thought of it in the light of a few years from now, they'd realize that they are paying to encourage an out-and-out opponent to the theatre.

"If it were possible I'd be the first to organize a series of broadcasting stations and book talent and cash in on it myself. Of course the revenue would have to come from the owner of the receiving set. That's the big hitch now, as I understand it."

Taxing Owner Not Impossible

The showman's resume of the situation obviously discloses a study of the radio proposition. Taxing the owner of the receiver is not impossible if the government would step in. But that's against all American principles although quite all right for England, where it is being tried on a pound a year fee, or in Sweden, where the idea will be put into effect shortly.

In Sweden the L. M. Ericsson Telephone Co. has entered into an agreement with the Swedish Government for a radio monopoly, the private interests to operate the broadcasting for five hours daily. All owners of receiving sets are to be taxed 20 kroner, or about $5.40, and societies and other places of entertainment to pay a 1,000 kroner fee approximating $270 annually.

For our purposes the American Government cannot very well expend the taxpayers' money for class use as would be the case of radio.

Propaganda and suggestions from the music interests, however, are fostering a plan of making the receiver owner remit as a matter of pride and principle for the entertainment.

PICTURE PLUGGING

Radio Employed in Films' Exploitation

Radio is being actively incorporated as a publicity, exploitation and advance agent medium for pictures. Wednesday Lon Chaney broadcast a talk on "Making Up for Motion Pictures" from station WOR (Bamberger & Co.) of Newark.

The Loew (WHN) station has been doing the same stunt for pictures to be booked into Loew houses.

The various radio station managers recognize the danger of making such exploitation palpably evident, and always cover it up entertainingly.

PRICE'S RADIO CABINET

Newspaper Man Devises Compact Cabinet for Radio Set

Jack Price of the New York "World" staff, who contributes special papers on radio to the "Evening World's" Saturday radio supplement, has devised a compact cabinet and container for a receiving set. Price has installed one in the Clipper office.

It is of his own design and will be fully planned and illustrated in a forthcoming supplement of the "Evening World."

Talk on Pictures

Radio will take on an educational aspect, comparable to the correspondence school method, with a series of three discourses by Forrest Halsey, playwright and scenarist, on "The Art of Writing for Moving Pictures." The first talk was broadcast Wednesday from WOR, Newark.

Halsey adapted George Arliss' "The Green Goddess," and all other Arliss films. The educational talks include references to the new picture.

MISCELLANY

The second annual fall festival in Gorin, Mo., will be held Sept. 18-20.

The Wright-Douglas county farmers' picnic will be in the Mansfield, Mo., tourist park Sept. 12.

The Ventura County fair grounds at Seaside park, Ventura, are being enlarged at a cost of $25,000.

Sig Sautelle will supply the carnival attractions at the Rome County Fair, N. Y., next week.

The Missouri State Poultry Show will be held in Kansas City Dec. 11-15.

Approximately 25,000 persons attended the 50th Lawrenceburg, Ky., fair, which closed last Friday.

Sells-Floto Circus canceled the night performance at Bedford, Ind., last week owing to a heavy rain.

Under the auspices of the Dons of Peralto a fall festival will be held in Oakland, Cal., Sept. 24-29.

The Minnesota State Fair and Northwest Dairy Exposition at Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 1-8, will have 17 circus acts.

The Max Thielon No. 2 troupe has joined the Sells-Floto Circus. This makes two acts of a similar nature on the two stages.

Elks Lodge, No. 71, of Dallas, Texas, will give a circus in that town, Aug. 30-Sept. 8. Mae Matthews and a number of other circus folks will take part.

Toyland Park, Galveston, Texas, has been formed for outdoor amusement purposes by Sarah McKissack, A. M. Evans and Flava Paul, with a capital of $5,000.

Velare Brothers, who suffered the loss of all of their show property last fall through fire, are reported looking for new rides, cars and attractions.

Mrs. Henderson (Etta Louise Blake) has the musical comedy show with Rubin and Cherry carnival this year, and is a sister of Homer and William Jones.

The Diving Rignes, who were seen in the attraction program at the Central States Exposition at Aurora last week, have been engaged by the Rubin & Cherry Shows.

The annual Columbiana (Ohio) county street fair will be held Sept. 15. George Marlow will supply the attractions. Five acts will comprise the free vaudeville show.

The Ogdensburg fair, New York, just closed, was the most successful financially in years. Fairs during the past few years had been poorly patronized.

The fifth annual farm bureau county fair at Balboa park, San Diego, Cal., Sept. 19-22, will have an industrial division, in charge of Winfield Barkley.

The Watertown, N. Y., post of the American Legion, plans to hold an industrial and civic carnival at the State armory in this city Oct. 8-10.

The Elks of Charleroi, Pa., will hold a circus week of Sept. 17. W. W. Jimeson, D. B. Hormell and Walter Campbell are the committee.

The carnival, bazaar and benefit for St. John's church in Hyde Park, Los Angeles, will be presented by Geo. F. Donavan, Sept. 5-12. Counsel, the chimp, and Royal Midget's will be among the attractions.

Starlight Park, Bronx, will hold a Mardi Gras and Carnival Sept. 2-9. Two thousand dollars in prizes will be given away during the event, which will close the regular season of the park.

Mrs. J. S. Phillips, wife of the bandmaster with the Sparks circus, Jack Phillips, visited and remained with the show for two weeks, leaving it at Marion, Ind., for her home at Columbus, Ohio.

The Al G. Barnes circus played but one performance at Sistersville, W. Va., in order to reach Martin's Ferry, Ohio, practically a part of Wheeling. The show was the first one to play Sistersville in seven years, and had a big matinee business.

Extensive improvements on the Coshocton, O., amusement park, owned and managed by Dick Johns, formerly manager of Tuscora Park. Johns plans the erection of a promenade to the dance pavilion and a summer hotel of 36 rooms at the park.

The management of Broad Ripple amusement park, Indianapolis, has been sued for $10,000 by the wife of a bather who died when he struck his head on the concrete floor of the pool after diving into shallow water. The park will fight the suit.

Pete Cortez has returned to Los Angeles after a six weeks' vacation. He is entirely remodeling his sideshow circus on Main street, and will open next month with a new line of freaks. His partner, Chas. Smith, is still resting in the mountains.

J. H. Johnson, of Nomia fame, has purchased a bathhouse and sanitarium at Rosedale, Kan., a suburb of Kansas City. The benefit of the mineral baths will probably be availed of during the winter by showmen in Kansas City visiting the Johnson establishment.

Capt. Harley Tyler has spent a week visiting the Dave Lachman show in Nebraska. Since resigning as manager of the Al G. Barnes Circus, Mr. Tyler says his personal interests in Kansas City have so engaged his attention he is unable to remain on the road any length of time.

Under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion, the Kline Carnival shows began an engagement Thursday on the streets of Ludlow, Mass., which will terminate Labor Day. There are two free acts, four rides, two shows and 30 concessions in the outfit.

Directors of the G. A. Boeckling Co., the corporation owning and operating Cedar Point, Lake Erie shore resort and convention place, meeting here this week declared the customary semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. Checks accordingly will go out to stockholders of $1,250 of common stock in the company at once.

Hank Durnell left the Ringling show last week to join Leonard Stroud's Rodeo at Paradise Park, Rye, N. Y., this week. The rodeo is being held on a salary basis, with special prizes for winners. Paradise Park will hold a Mardi Gras for the first time, beginning Sept. 10, following which it will close for the season.

Harry Baker, Colonel Livingston of Washington, and M. S. Gaynor, head of the Chicago building inspection service, which includes jurisdiction over amusement construction, are making a tour of Eastern resorts. They were joined in Philadelphia by William Dentzel, who accompanied them to Atlantic City, Ocean City and Wildwood.

According to reports, Marvel cave, one of the largest caves in the United States, if not the largest, located near Reed Springs, Mo., is having the largest visitation in its history. Situated as it is in the "Shepherd of the Hills" country, it affords an excellent setting in the historic panorama thereabouts.

A wheel of a heavy wagon of the Bernardi carnival, at Malone, N. Y., crushed the life out of Wilfred Reyome, 15, who had gone to sleep under the wagon when a rainstorm came up. With other boys the lad slept through the loading of the wagon with tents and paraphernalia. He had been pulling stakes and was tired out when the storm came up.

The North Missouri District Fair at Bethany, Mo., Sept. 18, will have Al Sweet's Singing Hussars, Aronly Brothers, the Bimbos, Sankus and Sykers, Kenney Mason and Scholl, Marie Meyer, aviatrix, J. Alex Sloan's automobile races and Thearle-Duffield's fireworks. The Wortham Shows will furnish the carnival attractions.

Elsie Maurer, 19, dancer at a water pageant at an Atlanta amusement park, was drowned while giving an exhibition before deaf and dumb delegates. Miss Maurer and seven other girls were on an improvised raft in a small lake. Suddenly the craft listed and all were thrown into the water.

The graves of Homer Jones, William Jones and J. P. Henderson at Davenport, Ia., were decorated with wreaths of flowers by the people of C. A. Wortham World's Best Shows Friday morning of last week, and a memorial service was held. The band marched out to the cemetery with the mourning show folks. Homer and William Jones, brothers, were killed in a wreck of the Wortham Shows at Beaumont, Tex., last year, and are buried here, as are the remains of J. P. Henderson, who died recently. He had the musical comedy show on the Wortham carnival in 1922.

An additional suit, the largest filed following the outdoor accident at Cycle Park, Dallas, this season, is for $26,025, and the plaintiffs are P. F. Pinkerton, his wife and two minor children. The suit is against Gene Lewis-Olga Worth stock company and the owners of the park as well as the city of Dallas. It is pointed out that Mrs. Ethel Pinkerton and her two daughters were at Cycle Park on the night of June 25, when they were alleged to have passed over a bridge at the time it suddenly crashed. The city of Dallas is made a party to the suit on the grounds that it should inspect outdoor places of amusement.

CONCESSIONERS FINISH LABOR DAY

Leave Permanent Stands for Regular Fair Dates

Concessionaires who left carnivals early in the season and picked spots in and around New York, Philadelphia and other eastern towns and summer resorts are preparing to close immediately after Labor Day to make fair dates. Many will play over the same routes they have played for many years in the past, making the bookings a year in advance.

Concessionaires report permanent spots more profitable than traveling shows gave promise of being at the start of the season.

FLORIDA FAIR

South Florida Fair to Be Held in February

Tampa, Fla., Aug. 30.

The South Florida Fair, P. T. Streider, general manager, comes at the same time as the Gasparilla Carnival, when the city is in the throes of gaiety. Old King Gasparilla is said to have been quite active in Florida waters for many years and to have buried 11 kegs of gold near this city.

More than 35 counties will be represented this year, as well as the Canadian Government and Old Mexico.

For the past few years the Johnny J. Jones Carnival has held sway during the fair.

The free attractions are now being booked, and those interested should write the management of the fair association. The dates will be early in February.

400 Children in Pageant

Chagrin Falls, O., Aug. 30.

All arrangements have been completed for the annual Cuyahoga County Fair to be held Sept. 3-5. The fair opens Labor Day with band concerts and a pageant, "America," in which 400 school children will take part.

J. E. Wise is in charge of the racing and John R. Caunter the midway. Daylight fireworks will be a feature. Three bands have been contracted and there will be dancing each day.

Bankers Back "Wayfarer"

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Local bankers underwrote the outdoor production of "The Wayfarer," booked for a week at the Coliseum, beginning Sept. 8. If there are any profits, after the cost is deducted, they will go to the University of Southern California.

THE DAILIES SAY:

Frederick Walters, the "Blue Man," who died a few days ago in Bellevue Hospital, was found to be really blue both inside and out. Walters, while a captain in the British army, sustained a fall from his horse and four months later in a hospital it was found that his skin was turning blue. Scientists who examined him at the time declared that this was due to the opening of a small valve in the heart which allowed the blue blood of the veins to mingle with the red blood of the arteries. Walters came to this country in 1891, and four years later joined the Barnum and Bailey circus. Since then he has appeared with Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, Ringling Brothers' Circus and at various amusement parks. After his death an autopsy was performed by Dr. Douglas Symmers, director of the Bellevue Hospital Laboratories. He found definitely that the coloring was due to argyria or chronic silver poisoning, probably contracted when Walters was working in Australian silver mines many years ago. The autopsy showed that not only was the skin blue, but that all the organs and tissues, including the brain and heart, were of the same color. The hospital authorities declared this the most remarkable case they had ever seen. They said that, though men occasionally turned partially blue from silver poisoning, this was the first time on record that a man had become completely that shade. A peculiar feature was that when Walters felt in good health his body was light blue, but when he became ill it immediately changed to a darker hue. He was married thirteen years ago and leaves a widow and six-year-old daughter.

The Theatre Silvain, a large open-air auditorium, was opened in Marseilles, France, with the presentation of Euripides' "Hecuba" July 14. The structure seats 6,000 persons and is one of the largest open-air theatres in the world. It is situated in a most picturesque valley. The stage has no curtain, but projections are thrown across the stage during changes of scenery.

Governor Percival P. Baxter of Maine in a letter to Governor Smith of New York has written regarding a report that a rodeo was to be held at the State Fair in Syracuse. "If this be true, it will be a step backward to the humane cause in which I know you, as well as myself, are interested. A genuine rodeo is a brutal and degrading exhibition of man's power over animals, and I feel confident you will never allow one in your state." The Maine governor is apparently unaware of the rodeo now being held in New York city. When his pet dog died recently he evinced his love for animals by having the flag at the State House in Augusta placed at half-mast.

An audience suffering from mental ailments was for the first time entertained by a radio concert last week at the Hudson County Hospital, Laurel Hill, Secaucus, N. J. Every number was applauded by the patients. Hospital physicians said that the demonstration showed that radio music could be used as a sedative for the insane.

The sheriff of Nassau county, assisted by 30 deputies, last week raided the Mardi Gras on the Boardwalk at Long Beach and confiscated over 50 wheels of fortune. The Mardi Gras was being held to obtain funds for the erection of a Long Beach hospital. Almost all of the city officials were interested in the affair, and the hostesses at the various booths were society matrons and debutantes. The fair covered over three gaily decorated city blocks. The raiding officials showed no scruples in smashing everything in sight, and dolls, perfume and other articles of display were dashed to the floor. Many of the women made strenuous objections, but the deputies paid no heed. No arrests were made.

Lieutenant Commander John Philip Sousa will make his only New York city appearance of the season at Madison Square Garden on Sunday night, Oct. 7.

At a meeting of the merchants and concessionaires of Coney Island, Aug. 26, it was decided to keep the amusement center open all winter. It is hoped that the new boardwalk will attract visitors at all seasons of the year. Plans are in order for the development of winter sports of all kinds. Arrangements were also completed for the annual Mardi Gras, which, contrary to rumor will not be dropped this year, but will be held Sept. 10-16.

An electric eel as wide as a man's arm and more than six feet long arrived at the Bronx Zoo Saturday afternoon and severely shocked Curator Ditmars and Head Keeper Toomey. The reptile came from British Guiana, and is the only one in this country. One at the Aquarium died a few years ago. The men were shocked handling the eel by the genuine electric muscles in its body. Both men were painfully hurt and Toomey had his arm so badly shocked that it became black and blue as if he had been severely bruised.

Lizzie Murphy, $300 a week first basewoman on the semi-pro team, Carr's All Stars, has announced that she hopes to make the major league in another season or two. Lizzie is 26 now and has been playing ball since she was ten.

A surprise party was tendered Thomas McGowan, for 25 years the manager of Steeplechase Park, by his Coney Island associates last Sunday night. After the lights had been dimmed and the visitors had started homeward, all the prominent Coney Islanders and a lot not so prominent gathered in the big ballroom. Tommy, completely at a loss, was dragged there and extolled to the skies before he realized what it was all about. James Corcoran, on behalf of the assemblage, presented him with a diamond ring and scarf pin. The leading citizens told Tommy that if Coney Island had a mayor he would be it. Edward F. Tilyou, owner of the park, was toastmaster.

Charles (Chick) Evans, former national open golf champion and holder of the Western amateur title at present, has been absolved of the charge of dishonesty made against him recently in Chicago because of his alleged passing of a bad check. Judge Charles McKinley exonerated him of all blame when he refused to issue a requested warrant for his arrest.

In a raid on a bootlegging establishment hid in a Chicago real estate office prohibition agents Aug. 25 found among the books of the organization with the names and addresses of customers. Among these were prominent loop hotels and office buildings, and even, according to the agents, the City Hall. Six hundred bottles of liquor were seized and two men were arrested. The officers believe that this was a distributing agency for a large ring whose activities may extend into Canada.

Ernest A. Johnson, secretary-treasurer of the United Building Trades Council, has filed a petition in the Superior Court of Boston charging that poisonous liquor has been sold to union building laborers in that city, resulting in several deaths. He also claims that bootleggers have been actuated by "sinister motives." The petition asks that certain men be enjoined from interfering with the functioning of the council and that they be restrained from carrying liquor into its meetings or on its property.

Sheriff John J. Allen, county jail custodian, and Edward J. O'Connell, county attorney, have been named a committee to investigate Albany's reported need for a new jail. The sheriff claims that drunkenness is increasing so much that the old jail is no longer large enough. He says that the arrests for intoxication have numbered as many as forty a day.

Adolph Wald when arrested last week on a charge of violating the Volstead act had nothing to say but "telephone Izzy Einstein his friend is in trouble." Wald, it is claimed by dry agents, had in his Brighton Beach bungalow 120 pint flasks and 70 quart bottles of whiskey as well as fake revenue stamps and labels. Detectives could not say how friendly with Izzy their prisoner is.

Charging a conspiracy to injure his business and reputation Abe Davidson, proprietor and manager of the Broadway and Strand theatres at Norwich, Conn., has filed suit against the Musicians' Protective Union, No. 235, of the American Federation of Musicians claiming damages of $40,000. The trouble started when Davidson closed one of the houses last spring, after giving the orchestra its two weeks notice, and then desired to hire the other orchestra to play the closed house on a special date.

Texas Fair Oct. 1

Austin, Texas, Aug. 30.

The Texas State Exposition, opening here Oct. 1, promises to have a variety of exhibits which will rank it among the largest fairs in the state.

Five days of horse racing, with a total of $5,000 offered in purses, will be one of the main attractions.

Free entertainment will be supplied by Sells' Musical Elephants, Dallamead Troupe, Earl Sisters, high flying ladders; Joe Killjoy, comedy, and the Ferris Wheel Girls, aerial. A two-hour free entertainment will be provided every day.

MUSIC MEN PREFER TO NAME THEIR OWN DISC COUPLINGS

One of the Reforms Aimed for in Proposed Copyright Law Amendment — Would Obviate Backing Up "Lemon" Tune With Worthy Composition

Among other reforms the music publishers hope to accomplish if they are granted their plea to have the Copyright Law amended, is to be in the position to dictate what number should be backed up with a hit on a talking machine disc record. The present method of coupling a mediocre tune with an outstanding hit has its drawbacks and has been proved detrimental to the very popular number. The disc buyer naturally prefers two good numbers rather than one peach coupled with a lemon.

The various "angles" that some of the music men have in influencing the record people to "can" a little known tune and back it up with a hit and have both ride together, has long been a point of comment.

It dates back from "Dardanella" when that sensational dance hit carried along with it a little known dance tune that was backed up with it on a number of record brands.

The publisher and authors of the little known composition get an unusually favorable break because of the back-up. In the "Dardanella" instance, it was obviously the one favored publisher's foresight to pull strings so that his song got the coupling.

Another angle might have figured. The publisher in that case may or may not have owned the song outright through having bought out the writers' royalty interests, but that is a present day kink as well.

Publisher Pushing Song

A publisher may own one song outright and do his best to push it more for personal reasons because of that than because the song is naturally worthy. That gives rise to still another insight on the "mechanical" proposition. Companies like the Victor do not go "shopping" for their tunes because they might have to pay a lesser royalty than the usual two cents, but there are some companies that are not averse to such arrangements. This sometimes accounts for two of the same publisher's numbers being backed up, the answer sometime being that a private understanding of paying three cents for the two numbers exists.

In such instances the publisher probably owns one of the number outright, most likely acquired nominally and its coupling with a royalty hit is beneficial.

MAYOR FAVORS SUNDAY SHOW

Kansas City's Chief Executive Recommends to Big Show

Kansas City, Aug. 30.

Something new in circus playing will occur here when the Ringling-Barnum-Bailey Circus makes Kansas City Sept. 30-Oct. 1, the date including a Sunday.

Kansas City's mayor made the recommendation and the Ringlings naturally acted favorably upon it.

RACING REVIVED

Oklahoma Sportsmen Form Association for Fair Meet

Kansas City, Aug. 30.

For the first time in many years racing will be one of the events of the Osage County, Oklahoma, free fair, this year. The fair is held at Pawhuska and the local sportsmen have formed the Pawhuska Racing Association. It is the announced plans of the association to construct a new fair grounds and race track near the city in time for the fair in 1924.

The races this year will be held on a track just west of the city. The dates are Sept. 11-14.

DANCE HALL INVESTIGATION

Common Council and Department of Public Safety Start Action

Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 30.

After Alderman John Ryan, minority (Democratic) leader in the Syracuse Common Council, has characterized the newly opened public dancing pavilion in Burnet Park as an unfit place for young men and women to gather, the Council on Monday ordered an investigation by the Department of Public Safety and empowered Commissioner James B. Spencer to close up the pavilion if the charges are borne out.

The place was opened a week ago under the auspices of the Planning Parks and Recreation Commission, following its erection by the Commonweal Club of this city. It was to be turned over to the city after receipts had reimbursed the club for its building cost of about $12,000.

A riot and gang fight at the pavilion late last week brought the arrest of a number of young men.

The Rev. Father John J. Sheridan, pastor of St. Lucy's Church, rapped public dance halls in city parks in his sermon Sunday, branding them as "a direct road to temptation and a menace to the morals of girls and young men."

WILLS AS ACTOR

May Appear in Colored Vaudeville Houses

Harry Wills, the colored heavyweight boxer, has been offered for featuring in the colored vaudeville houses this fall. The weekly salary asked was $2,500, with $2,000 offered by several houses.

It will be Wills' first appearance in vaudeville, although he was used as an added attraction in burlesque several seasons ago.

The flurry of championship fighting this summer has brought Wills' name into the sporting limelight frequently. His forfeit to box Jack Dempsey has been on deposit with the New York state athletic commission for months, but Dempsey was matched with Luis Angel Firpo, while the "brown panther's" challenge has been passed up.

In some sporting circles it is believed Dempsey never will take on Wills. The latter has been working as a stevedore to keep in condition.

It is now reported he may fight Firpo in South America next spring.

UP-STATE FAIRS.

Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 30.

Following are the dates of the northern New York fairs:

Cape Vincent Fair, Cape Vincent—Aug. 29 to Sept. 1.

Lewis County Fair, Lowville, N. Y.—Aug. 29 to Sept. 1.

St. Lawrence County Fair, Canton—Aug. 29 to Sept. 1.

Jefferson County Fair, Watertown—Sept. 4 to 8.

Boonville Fair, Boonville—Sept. 4 to 8.

State Fair, Syracuse—Sept. 11 to 16.

Racquette Valley Fair, Potsdam—Sept. 12 to 15.

Franklin County Fair, Malone—Sept. 19 to 22.

Low Gas Helps

Helena, Mont., Aug. 30.

B. T. Moore, secretary of the Montana Fair, thinks that good roads in that state, the lower price of gasoline and the bumper crops will make the fair to be held Sept. 25-28 a huge success.

Manchester Park and Dance Halls Prosper

Manchester, N. H., Aug. 30.

The outdoor amusement season in this vicinity has proved satisfactory. Although this city was hit by a marked industrial depression during the textile strike last year, at present people appear to have money and are spending.

Two amusement resorts under the general direction of the Manchester Traction, Light and Power Co. suffered losses by fire, but both have been rehabilitated and are drawing crowds. At Uncanoonuc Mountain fire last winter, believed the result of careless snowshoers, destroyed the summit hotel, reached by an incline railway in summer. The hotel was not rebuilt, but has been replaced by a commodious and modern dance hall. At the height of the season the main pavilion at Pine Island Park was destroyed by fire, but a new and larger building, with an excellent ballroom, has been erected. Lieut. Felix Ferdinando is the lessee, general manager of the ballroom and music director.

The orchestra of 15 men is under the leadership of Angelo Ferdinando.

The new ballroom overhangs the water of the lake and is surrounded by pine trees. It has 16,000 square feet of floor space, and the verandas and reserve section will accommodate an audience or non-dancing attendance of 4,000 persons.

Other amusements at the park include merry-go-round, penny arcade, bathhouse, roller skating rink, shooting gallery, roller coaster, "The Whip," "Joy Rides," "Aeroplanes," canoeing and boating. There is a well-equipped restaurant.

Parking space for 2,000 cars and police protection for them is provided free. The park is well lighted. Over 3,000 individual lights are used.

Besides Uncanoonuc Mountain and Pine Island Park there is Massabesic Lake. In the heydey of its history this was a famous resort, but prohibition of bathing and cottages, because its water provided the drinking supply for the city, have changed conditions.

There are, however, the Arcadia dancing pavilion, the general pavilion, including penny arcade, the summer theatre and other attractions. The Arcadia dance pavilion rivals the Pine Island ballroom. The success of the season is testified to by the fact that all of these principal amusement resorts are crowded nightly.

Monday, August 27, the entire mechanical division of the Boston and Maine Railroad held its outing at Pine Island, bringing 3,000 out-of-town guests to the park.

YORK EAGLES INVEST IN PARK

Reported Order in York, Pa., May Promote Local Summer Resort

York, Pa., Aug. 30.

The local Order of Eagles is said to contemplate the construction of a picnic grove and amusement park near that town as a means of investing funds.

The fraternal organization holds numerous lands under mortgage, and the park project is designed to develop one of the tracts they control.

Mid-West Fair Activities

Indianapolis, Aug. 30.

State Fair opens for a week here Labor Day. Race purses for five days total $27,000. New buildings and new features are expected to attract a record crowd. State Board of Agriculture, State House, Indianapolis, is in charge.

Richmond, Ind., merchants have contributed more than $10,000 to guarantee the Wayne County Free Agricultural and Stock Fair at Richmond Sept. 11-14.

The LaPorte county budget for 1924 provides $12,000 for a new grandstand for the LaPorte county fair ground.

The county fair at Newcastle, which lost $1,569 last year, is expected to break about even this season.

Johnson County Fair Association set aside Wednesday of last week as Ku Klux Klan day. Klansmen came from five counties. The fair authorities permitted Klan speakers to discuss the movement.

INSIDE STUFF

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ference on the length of the run while the public was interested.

A good fast Rodeo exhibition put over in five days appears to be the general opinion of the proper show according to the cowboys and girls.

When Ed Lewis directed "The Barrier" some time ago his friend Tex Rickard saw it. Meeting Lewis, Rickard said: "Ed, that's a great picture, that 'Barrier' you made in Alaska. It recalled to me when I was all through that country and I recognized nearly all the outdoor scenes you had."

Lewis thanked Rickard for his complimentary remarks, but did not tell him the scenes were all taken at Lake George, N. Y.

Twenty arrests for crap shooting were made last Friday at the colored carnival in the Harlem section. The crap players were found in the carousels. Each was fined $2 when pleading guilty.

Sales Manager Indifferent

A committee of carnival men called upon a sales manager of a merchandise house dealing in carnival novelties this week, to remonstrate against the growing practice of the merchandisers broadcasting the countryside with pamphlets inviting local and civic organizations to do business direct with them. In other words it suggested the local bodies operate their own carnival amusement. The pamphlet is reported going into detail as to the operation of a carnival and is said to have been compiled by a veteran retired outdoor showman.

The sales manager would not go into the matter with the committee. He stated his firm had to keep their stock moving and did not consider it a breach of ethics to adopt the method of attempting to do business direct.

One phase of the movement by the merchandise firms has greatly angered the outdoor men; that is their offer to send goods on consignment or speculation, allowing a full return for unsold goods. Another point is that the wholesalers tell the local people to sell at any price above the wholesale list and keep all of the profit.

The merchants reply on the return privilege and the wholesale price is that the people connected with the affairs are the town's most prosperous citizens and they are secured through that.

Several up-state (New York) local organizations are said to have taken advantage of the offers by the merchandise firms.

The Cotton Crop

Showmen who had been reading reports of cotton crop damage in cotton-belt newspapers have been skeptical of alarming figures of plant destruction by boll weevil and drought, but the performance of the prices on the cotton exchanges in New York and New Orleans the last fortnight bring convincing proof that the crop will be a short one.

Newspapers with a large circulation among planters always are bullish in their views and make the most of bad conditions to create the impression of small production. Southern estimates are always low and the New England spinners practically disregard them or make allowance for bias in southern estimates.

However, the staple has mounted in price steadily since Aug. 1, and now stands around 25 cents a pound for October delivery. High-priced cotton is not an unmixed blessing to visiting showmen, because it augurs a small crop, which in turn means low labor average. E. E. Bartlett, president of the New York Cotton Exchange, a few days ago gave out a statement indicating that crop damage this year will represent $750,000,000 in a plea for government aid to the planters in fighting the weevil.

Holding Acts for Hip

Several foreign acts booked by the Keith circuit (vaudeville) for next season will be held back for their initial New York opening until Keith's New York Hippodrome opens under its new direction, it is reported. The foreigners will be routed outside of New York until the Hip gets into action about Nov. 15. Many of the foreigners are "dumb" acts and suitable to fit in the large Hippodrome.

$90,000 Advance Sale

The Masons are strong for the indoor circus, spurred on perhaps by the big advance for the Masonic Indoor Circus Nov. 26-Dec. 3 in Chicago. An indoor circus will be staged by the Masons at Louisville in November and another at Omaha, starting Sept. 15 will be under the auspices of the Elks.

The Masonic Hospital benefit in Chicago, the indoor circus, has now rolled up an advance of over $90,000 through donation cards sent to members. There were 38,000 sent out and 14,000 have been returned, each card grossing $6. The total gross advance may run into enormous figures with the returns from the 24,000 outstanding cards.

Austin's Gross

Estimates made of the gross drawn for Tex Austin's Rodeo which closed at the Yankee stadium last Sunday were more than double the actual takings. Instead of the half million dollars predicted, the final count was a little over $200,000, it is claimed. That included the benefits on both Sundays during the western sports meet and the receipts for Friday night last, which provided a purse for the contestants.

Austin figured the gate must touch $200,000 to break even. Wednesday the count on expenditures was not completed but it was understood on the inside that a fair profit had been made. The Rodeo operated on a percentage with Col. Jacob Ruppert, owner of the Yankee stadium and ball team. Just what the split was is not known, but was reported better than 75-25.

Austin will repeat the event at the stadium next year, possibly dating the meet for early September. It is believed that the reputation made by this season's competitions, which were the first western sports competitions ever held out of doors in the East, will count heavily in favor of much bigger attendance in 1924. That the competitions will be an annual event in New York is fairly certain. Especially at night did the meet look attractive. Staged on an immense coco mat, with the whitened fences surrounding the park, the events created vivid pictures of western life in the "open spaces."

Attendance was never really big during the meet. Daily takings were about $15,000, with the afternoon crowds better than at night time, though the gate was about the same because prices in the afternoon were lower.

Contestants Shared $11,200

The contestants' night grossed but $11,200, and the cowboys raised a squawk, having figured the house at $40,000. Cowboys were on the gates and the count tallied with that of the government tax representatives. Charles McManus, secretary of the Yankees, invited the cowboys to watch all turnstiles, which they did, and the working of the "clocks" attached to the turnstiles was explained. There were about 125 contestants, of which some 30 were disqualified from participating in the cowboys' gate for infraction of rules. Each qualified contestant received $96 as against $158 at Madison Square Garden last winter when the contestants' night grossed $18,000.

The coco mat, which protected the diamond and playing field, was purchased by the Yankee club. It cost about $15,000.

The largest individual item of expense was the prize money. The announced total purses was $50,000 but it was claimed the amount in actual total of money prizes exceeded that sum because of the insertion of the two Sunday meets which were held "under auspices," a percentage of the gate going to charity. Prize money attained for each event daily and for the finals which were competed for on Sunday last.

Trick Riding

Trick riding on ponies and bronks is not strictly a part of western sports competitions, but in recent years is always part of the rodeo meets which in the west are called other names, such as "Frontier Days," "Cowboys' Reunions" and the like. The riding stunts add to the spectacular part of the contests and help make the meets something of a show. While they are pretty from a sight standpoint and bring in women riders with brilliantly colored duds, the fancy riding does not compare in daring to "bulldogging" or wild steer riding.

That the riding events be made real contests, prizes are awarded.

Crowds at the Yankee Stadium during Austin's Rodeo took to these events naturally and accorded them the only real applause let at least one of the evening cards.

CAPITAL REPORTS LIQUOR SEIZURES

Prohibition Unit Announces Figures and Gallons

Washington, Aug. 30.

The Prohibition Unit here reports that in the city of Richmond, Va., during July, $45,245 in property was captured and confiscated, this including 1,275 gallons of liquor, ninety-seven stills and the destruction of more than 50,000 gallons of mash. One hundred and four persons were held for trial. This all being the result of the switching of the revenue agents, bringing in new faces that were not known.

Following upon this report comes that of E. C. Yellowley, chief general prohibition agent, who states that 1,878 cases were made by the general agent's force during the month of July. This was 136 more than during the previous month. Of this number, 582 were permit cases, involving investigations of applications for basic permits to use or sell intoxicating liquor, 9 were brewery cases, involving investigation of alleged violations by breweries, and the balance, 1,287 were miscellaneous cases, such as illegal transportation, sale or possession of intoxicating liquors.

In New York and New Jersey, which comprise the second division, the greatest number of cases of any single division were made in the month. Divisional Chief R. Q. Merrick reported 773 cases, of which 263 were permit cases, 4 brewery cases, while the balance or 506 were miscellaneous ones.

Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia, the District of Columbia and part of Virginia, which comprises the fourth division, had 244 cases, while the report discloses that since the first of the year a total of 13,368 cases have been reported through from the various divisions, of which 6,199 were permit cases, 124 brewery and 7,045 miscellaneous cases.

RUM RUNNERS

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netted business for bondsmen and lawyers," was Commissioner Oppenstein's explanation.

According to reports, alcohol has been increased from 35 cents to a dollar a pint; bonded liquor is quoted at $10 a pint, and "corn" has jumped from $5 a gallon to twenty dollars.

Added to the activity of the police is that of the government agents. U. C. Madison, United States district attorney, is authority for the statement that when the present campaign against the booze sellers is completed more than 80 places in this city will be closed and padlocked. A number of buildings are already under government padlock seal, and more will be so disposed of in a short time. The placing of padlocks on business buildings where liquor has been sold is being closely watched by federal officers in many cities, and because of its success it is predicted the plan will be used elsewhere.

Under the orders of the United States district judge, in padlocking a place it means the owner must lose the rental and use of the place for a year.

Baltimore, Aug. 30.

Bootleggers in Maryland this week introduced their latest novelty in doing an "escape act," but they miscued and the whole thing flivvered. An automobile throwing out a smoke screen on both sides was the vehicle, and it was used with some degree of success until captured by Agents Robert F. Ford and William P. Flinchum, of the Baltimore office.

It was taken on the Washington road near Laurel following several days and nights of vigilance on the part of the Federal agents and the State constabulary. Ninety gallons of alleged moonshine in half gallon jars, arranged in case lots, were seized and two negroes who gave Washington addresses were brought to Baltimore. They were held for a hearing before J. Frank Supplee, Jr., United States Commissioner.

State police had been trailing the car for some time, it was learned, because of alleged violation of speed laws. They were unable to capture it because of the smoke screen it threw out when chased by a motorcycle squad. Thursday night just a cloud of dense smoke poured from the exhaust in the rear stopped the cops. By Saturday, however, they were accustomed to the habits of the queer machine and summoned the booze sleuths.

Then came the wailing. When it approached it was surrounded before the driver had a chance to manipulate the smoke screen and it was forced to the side of the road and stopped. After its capture the agents tested it. The apparatus making the smoke was described by the agents, who said that their investigation revealed a small tank, holding about two gallons, filled with what is believed to be a crude oil mixed with glycerine. A separate exhaust passed through the tank and a hand pump did the rest.

When it was desired to throw a smoke screen the operator pumped furiously, forcing the oil into spray through the exhaust, which was hot enough to convert the spray into a dense white cloud. A petcock on the dashboard controlled the output.

The beauty of such a device—from the rum runner's standpoint—is that their pursuer could get close to them, but once he was enveloped in the dense cloud he had to stop, while they went merrily on.

The biggest capture of booze in automobiles recorded along the border in some time was made just before dawn one morning last week when Federal officers, assisted by State troopers, seized eleven cars in a cavalcade near Moers, N. Y. The machines carried a combined cargo of 8,472 bottles of Canadian ale, valued, at city bootleg prices, at nearly $10,000.

The cars were all the property of one man. The rum runners in the first four machines in some way noticed the officers ahead and drove into a yard where they abandoned their cars and loads and escaped in the darkness. Six men in the other autos were caught. It is believed that the booze forces numbered 16.

As the occupants of the first four machines fled through the fields they fired shots. One of the captured bootleggers was shot in the leg, apparently by some of his party. Two revolvers and an iron bar several feet long were found in the abandoned cars, and a revolver was found on one of the rum runners apprehended. The six arrested—four from Schenectady and two from Champlain—were arraigned before United States Commissioner Pattinson at Plattsburgh. The man who had the revolver was held in $5,000 bail on the charges of transporting liquor and carrying a gun. Another was held in $1,000 bail for the action of the Federal Grand Jury, while several had their cases adjourned.

Commissioner Pattinson went to the hospital where the injured bootlegger was taken to inquire what dispostion he wished to make of his case. The rum runner asked to have it adjourned until later in the week. Early the following morning, however, he escaped from the hospital. Patients reported that they heard a sound like that of an automobile outside. It is believed that the injured bootlegger climbed out of the window of his room and sped away in a car.

The officers, numbering twelve, were headed by Chief Enforcement Agent Robert D. Angell and Captain Broadfield of the State constabulary. It is said to have been the first instance in some time since the repeal of the Mullan-Gage act where State troopers were included in a seizure of booze near the border.

The eleven machines were taken to Malone boozeless. All the ale except two bottles from each car was destroyed. The twenty-two bottles were kept as evidence. Some of the crew of the booze armada had boasted that they had never been stopped. A report was in circulation that fifteen other cars were loaded in Canada to come across the same night, but whether they awaited a more favorable time or got through in some other direction is not known.

Active Week for Seizures

The previous week was a prolific one for seizures of rum-running cars. Two were captured just over the Clinton county line by officers working out of Malone. The driver of one escaped, but the other was apprehended.

A truck containing 1,200 bottles of ale was seized near Brainardsville and two men from Syracuse arrested. Later in the week a Ford coupe loaded with ale was captured, but the driver escaped.

A car driven by a Brooklyn man collided with another machine near Constable. No damage was done to either auto, but in the first were found five quarts of whiskey and a small quantity of liquor. The Brooklyn man was held for the action of the Federal Grand Jury. His wife and another woman who was with him were let go. After a hard chase customs officers caught a Cleveland car containing 216 bottles of Canadian ale. A man and a woman in the machine were charged with violation of the United States Tariff law. They were held in $1,000 bail for the Federal Grand Jury.

PROHIBITION ABROAD

MANILA—The Philippines, only wet territory flying the Stars and Stripes, are in a panic following a recent Supreme Court decision that the Amendment must be enforced here, too. The revenue right now barely supports the government and prohibition would be bankruptcy. The court verdict still is open to the extent of an appeal on the legal meaning of the word "territory," as the Philippines claim to be no part of but under protection of the United States.

COPENHAGEN—The convention of the World League Against Alcohol cheered the statement made by a German delegate that Germany would soon be dry, since the 10 o'clock deadline against whiskey.

HELSINGFORS—Finland prohibition here is working out very much a la America. Bootleggers and government men fight bullet battles. The poor are drinking worse and less, the rich more and merrier.

STOCKHOLM — Americanized Swedes are being imported from Chicago, Minneapolis and South Dakota to lecture here against the prohibition movement, quoting results of same in America.

London — The Misinformation England gets about American prohibition is ludicrous. Bootlegger yarns fill the papers and make most of the items under U. S. dates. The Americans are held up as benighted, unhappy boobs in the hands of a political ring that uses prohibition as a weapon of control and the well-meaning sincere drys as pulling the chestnuts out for the crooks and illicit traffickers.

Honolulu—Enforcement is more efficient here than anywhere in the United States. Bitterly resented, the law is nevertheless almost universally observed, as such is the nature of the Hawaiian people.

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make home brew without his wife's knowledge. Wives of home violators may look to have me haul them in and hold them jointly liable."

The Santa Barbara (Cal.) Yacht club has resolved indignantly against one of their yachts being requisitioned to chase rum runners, saying they are neither a government arm nor in the dry business.

Rev. Roe Haney of Belmar, N. J., says moonshiners these days make 10,000 per cent. profit, making booze for 50 cents a gallon and selling it for $50. (Both figures are 'way off.—Ed.)

Internal revenue officers in Syracuse want bootleggers to pay adequate income tax. The enforcement squad says, "All right, YOU catch 'em and get their honest questionnaires."

Mrs. William Tilton of Boston told a women's club that of her own knowledge boys were making $50 and $100 on Saturdays delivering and selling for bootleggers.

Tuttle's and Moriarty's, for many decades the favorite hangouts of Yale students, have gone out of business in Cambridge—broke by prohibition.

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prevailing condition, supporting the claim that it is unenforceable.

Boston "Transcript" — We should like to share the late Mr. Harding's optimism regarding the future of prohibition, but we are forced to admit we have great difficulty doing so.

Spokane "Review" — There is illicit booze traffic, but it is not 10 per cent. of what the liquor trade was before prohibition.

Paterson "Chronicle"—Apparently the politicians of this land have so long bowed before a super-government theocracy that the theocracy has become to regard itself as the governing power.

San Francisco "Call"—The late czar tried water, determined to make his subjects more efficient—and he succeeded. He was the first victim of their efficiency, and for the present the last Czar.

Chicago "Post" — Prohibition is safe, and enforcement will increase with advancement of general education.

Buffalo "Times" — The Volstead act, interpreted by Volstead, himself, is the meanest sort of class legislation. The pampered minority glut their cellars with whisky, wine and brandy—the poor man is refused his glass of beer.

Union (N. J.) "Dispatch"—Temperance was going quietly and strongly ahead, with better and more wholesome and more permanent good than prohibition shows and signs of ever having.

Baltimore "Sun"—One of the troubles about Volsteadism is the official hypocrisy which it tolerates and the undemocratic discrimination on which it is based.

St. Louis "Globe Democrat"—Perhaps the Anti-Saloon League has so long accustomed itself to command legislative affairs that it considers government a negligible affair.

New York "Times"—If old channels of rum are choked, fresh ones will spring up. Enforcing the Volstead Act here is a tough job.

Washington "Post" — Volstead takes his proof to Copenhagen that New York is dry. If there's one person who may believe it, it's the King of Denmark.

Camden "Courier"—The "Society-Against" always believes the "Society-For" are crazy and there should be some way of abolishing them.

PROHIBITION AND POLITICS

Baltimore—With the opening of the General Assembly and a terrific wet-dry battle on the proposed state enforcement act, the question is: "Who will carry the Anti-Saloon League banner?" J. R. Funkhouser bore the dry burden last time unsuccessfully, but is not a candidate this time.

Newark—S. H. Cone, former prohibition agent, Anti-Saloon League ally and veteran dry politician-propagandist, will be sentenced for bribery in liquor cases next week, convicted under Judge Lynch.

Indianapolis — Prohibition party candidates will be off the forthcoming primary ballot, as in the Syracuse district of New York—less than 10 per cent. vote last election.

Rochester—The Citizens' League here is fighting the wets hard. It is behind every dry assemblyman and against every wet one.

Detroit — Superior Court Judge Verdier declared himself from the bench for modification of the Volstead act and said it was unfair, un-American and impossible of enforcement.

Lansing, Mich.—The Volstead law will be the only contested issue in the senatorial campaign. Senator Couzens is out for beer and 5 per cent. drinks. The drys' slogan is, "Beat Couzens."

Washington "Sings" Throughout City

Washington, Aug. 30.

Ten thousand persons crowded into the Central High School Stadium for the community sing of last Thursday night. These sings have taken such a hold on Washington that they are being held in various parts of the city and always attract enormously large crowds.

The affair at the Central High School is now giving evidence that some one with a knowledge of showmanship and lighting has taken hold of it. Large spots are played on the entertainers who furnished the program, and a sort of a stage was made by the hanging of a large white curtain behind the space allotted to the participants.

Racing at Texas State Fair?

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 30.

It is almost assured there will be running races at the Texas State Fair, but it is not as certain concerning the betting.

How far the oral bettors will be able to go remains unanswered.

KANSAS WHEAT SHOW PLANS

Event Will Take Place the First Two Weeks in October

Chicago, Aug. 30.

The Wheat Show at Wichita, Kan., for 1923, which will take place the last week in September and the first week in October, will have almost a complete change of bill at the end of the first week. It is anticipated the event will surpass past records.

The Travis vocalists and a ballet will offer the triumphal scene from the opera "Aida" the first week, and will have the assistance of sixty local singers. In addition there will be a performance afternoon and evening in the Forum by circus acts. A fashion show will be in the Rose room.

The second week, Oct. 1-6, the main feature of the entertainment will be 12 vaudeville acts. Art Landry's band will occupy the Forum. A bathing girl revue in which the winners of a contest now being carried on by the Wichita Eagle, with Capt. Flory, high diver, and La Belle Francis, in her slide for life from a tower 500 feet high will be another feature.

The Wichita Community Players will present "Dulcy" in the Arcadia theatre, part of the Forum group, the first week and will offer "Clarence" the second week. The fashion show will be materially changed for the second week.

The free act for the first week will be a member of the Choy Ling Troupe making a slide from the top of a ten-story building to the roof of the Forum, a distance of 500 feet. The free act for the second week will be La Belle Francis.

The Forum shows, the fashion show and the free acts will be presented afternoon and evening, and the Arcadia show will be given evenings and Saturday matinee.

The American Legion band will be on duty for the two weeks.

The agricultural, industrial and automobile shows will be strongly featured. The United States government, various states and many Kansas counties have taken liberal space.

The slogan this year will be "See it all for fifty cents," and this decision is believed to have given the show for 1923 big impetus.

Grape Festival Date Advanced Two Days

San Diego, Cal., Aug. 30.

Following a joint meeting of eight members of the Escondido chamber of commerce and representatives of the Coronado Merchants' Association, Escondido's Grape Day Festival, in previous years held on Admission Day, Sept. 9, has been advanced to Sept. 8.

It was originally planned to hold the festival on Sept. 10, the date scheduled for the Fete of the Sun, a pageant in connection with the total eclipse of the sun, but because of the conflicting attractions, the Escondido Grape Day committee decided to advance the Grape festival two days in an effort to cooperate with the Coronado merchants.

Clinic for Animals

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 30.

Next time animal shows or animal acts come to this city Utica may be in a position to treat them in excellent fashion should the animals become ill in any way—not the elephants nor the rhinoceros, of course; not even the lions and tigers, but the smaller animals.

For the idea of establishing a clinic for animals has not only been suggested by the assistant superintendent of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals this week, but considerable sentiment has been aroused here for the proposition.

Watching Sun's Eclipse

Los Angeles, Aug. 30.

Movies will be taken of the Sun eclipse from Catalina Island off the coast of Southern California. Capt. B. Harris of the U. S. Army will direct the cinema experiment Sept. 10.

The phenomenon will be viewed by interests from all over the world who are coming to the island next month.

WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

By DICK COLLINS

Milwaukee, Aug. 29.

Approximately 45,000 persons, mostly children, attended the opening of the Wisconsin State Fair Monday morning, Aug. 27, in spite of downcast skies and intermittent rain which continued throughout the day.

The "kids" came in droves and took as much delight in accumulating the H 2 O on their clothes, enjoying the rides and other outdoor features as any beaver in the Beaver State.

Jupiter Pluvius was doing his best and J. P. did himself proud. The most ardent prohibitionist could not have asked for more. The reporters ran into a happy group of youngsters seated in perfect content underneath one of Con. T. Kennedy's wagons, with Con entertaining them as to the manner born. Then round the corner came Mrs. Con and joined the party. One party of children will remember that showman and woman to their last days of childhood—and then some.

Last year over 61,000 passed the turnstiles according to Oliver E. Remey, who was overjoyed at the immense attendance despite the inclement weather. He looks for this year to break all records.

Steadily Growing Fair.

The fair has steadily grown for the past ten years from an attendance of around 104,000 in 1912 to an actual count of 267,894 paid admissions last year. Mr. Remey is confident of reaching the 350,000 mark this year, as it will mean a self-supporting State fair.

The policy of the Wisconsin State Fair is to provide features that will interest the city dweller as well as the agriculturist—educating the towns as well as the countryside. Educational in its scope it seeks to teach the cities something of the value and importance of the various industries indigenous to the farm, the methods and scope of the Wisconsin farmer. As Mr. Remey tersely puts it: "Something educational for all."

It is costing $275,000 to run the State fair this year according to official figures, of which no less a sum than $100,000 go toward premiums. This is distributed among 71 counties participating with exhibits in the way of 1,600 head of cattle, 1,600 swine, 1,000 sheep, 500 horses, together with farm produce and other essentials. There are actually over 4,100 exhibitors with around 40,000 exhibits. It is a safe bet that one cannot see all the various features under three days at least.

Two Fairs in One.

There is a fair within this fair—a sort of Juvenile State Fair—interesting, complete, and probably of more educational value than any other feature—the Boys' and Girls' County Clubs.

Housed in three mammoth tents, where they remain for the entire week, boys and girls from all parts of the State, representing practically every county, have their own fair. Over 200 calves, 100 swine and about 30 or 40 sheep, bred, raised and exhibited by the boys and girls are shown. Competition is keen and judges have hard tasks in their awards, for the boys and girls are keen exhibitors and their animals will compare with anything in the fair for breed, condition and all round excellence. It is a great movement and one that is spreading widely over the entire country.

In another group are no less than 250 supervising teachers from every county in the State, presided over by Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones of the University of Wisconsin Home Economics Department.

The various buildings are packed with exhibits. Never before has there been such a gorgeous display of everything. In the automobile building an immense show is in progress. Forty or more large spaces are filled and there is not an empty corner. Tractor Town is similarly situated with trucks, etc.

The dairy building has overflowed with machinery and other features into a mammoth tent, or rather, two laced together, running parallel to the main exhibition. Poultry are housed in another spacious building and number 1,518 pens filled with the best kind of exhibits.

Women's Department

The women's department is "all there" in cooking, baking and dressmaking and other women's functions. In the women's building are situated the "convenience" rooms—the convenient kitchen, the laundry of conveniences and the convenient dining room. Even the hamper for the soiled clothes and every device to save mother when doing the family washing or laboring in the dining room or kitchen.

A radio exhibition is in full swing, and types of apparatus are shown, from the smallest amateur set to the demonstrations made by the large government stations.

Incidentally there are many novelties at the fair. One is the manicure parlor for bovines, where Mr. and Mrs. Cow can get their hoofs polished. It is stated by Prof. Keppler that cows and bulls require attention to their pedal extremities as humans do to their finger nails, and a contented beast is as important as a contented man.

Show Features

Secretary Remey and Thomas Saxe have provided a veritable Roman holiday for their patrons. They believe in giving the public plenty of entertainment, although there is no carnival at the fair. To the visitor the absence of the shows and other enlivening adjuncts it appears strange. This, however, is the policy of the fair management.

There is a most pretentious horse show, where one of the greatest list of blue-blooded equines is to be seen nightly. Housed in an auditorium with a seating capacity of upward of 5,000, horses of all gaits are put through their paces.

Music is furnished by Al Sweet's White Hussar Singing Band every evening, the Dunkers' Band, American Legion Band, Farmers' Band, Hamilton Band and Stevens' Point Band, alternating each evening in addition, from 7 to 8 o'clock.

In front of the grandstand, afternoon and evening, the World Amusement Service Association has provided a mammoth entertainment, equaled, according to Secretary Remey, only at the Minnesota State Fair and at Dallas (State Fair of Texas), where the same caterers of amusement provide the attractions.

Included in the bill are the Six Belfords in risley act; Flying Codonas, aerialists; Choy Ling Foo Troupe; La Fleur and Portia, human spinning top; Thalero's Circus; Vallal and Zermaine, spectacular ballet; Howard's Animals; Wheeler and Wheeler, roller skating act; the Bimbos, acrobatics; Hassan Troupe; Bellclair Brothers; Baltus Trio, risley workers; Bell Sisters, aerialists; Four Readings; Bento Bros.

Flying Circus

Lillian Boyer, with her flying circus, is the big thing of the fair. This intrepid aviatrix changes planes in midair, makes parachute drops, hangs from the plane by her heels and, greatest of all daredevil stunts, changes from a racing automobile to an airplane in front of the grandstand, the only woman in the world to successfully perform this feat.

The feature of the night show is the Thearle-Duffield division of the pyrotechnic spectacle, "India." If anything, this fireworks pageant was even more appreciated than at Aurora last week. The pageantry was wonderfully enacted under the personal direction of Frank Duffield, and the fireworks displays at the finish of the spectacle greatly enjoyed.

Al Sweet's Band, Mexican Band (City of Mexico), were in attendance, Sweet in the grandstand and the Mexican Band in the pageant. The Mexican organization is under the business management of N. E. King and directed with ability by Velino Preza.

Fred M. Barnes was in personal charge of the amusement program, and all events went off without a hitch under his direction.

Rides

While the fair has no carnival, in its place is the greatest assortment of riding devices ever assembled on any fair ground, including the new one, the Whiz Bang, a dream realized from the fertile brain of Frank McIntyre of the United Circus Corporation. It is now being constructed by a prominent riding device manufacturer. This is a feather in Con. T. Kennedy's cap for progressive action. From all reports the new ride is one of the most sensational winners ever invented.

In addition, Kennedy has the following on the grounds: Carry-us-all, Ferris wheel, Whip, seaplanes, Butterfly, miniature fairy swing, caterpillar, Venetian swings, motordrome, speedway, "King Tut"—12 in all. Mr. Kennedy is adding to the foregoing list, and they are now in course of construction—steeplechase and bump-the-bumps, which will about put him at the head of the list of ride owners.

Comment on Absence of Shows

The absence of the shows was much commented upon by visitors, who, as usual at fair time, were looking for this form of amusement. During the rain it was disappointing to many who wanted entertainment apart from the exhibits where they could be under cover.

Concessions of any kind in the way of games—of chance or otherwise—there are none. Plenty of good "eats" and another novelty at a fair was that in the dairy section where one could get really delicious milk at five cents per and sandwiches of similar brand for ten.

There was no afternoon or night show Monday on account of the weather, nor horse racing in the afternoon, the events scheduled being run off at a later date.

Auto races under the direction of J. Alex Sloan, scheduled for Tuesday and Saturday, will probably result in the greatest attendance for this class of sport in the history of the state. Sig. Haughdahl will attempt to lower the existing records with his wonder car, the "Wisconsin Special," and a host of ex-champions and near-champions will endeavor to wrest the crown from the famous Norwegian. With favorable weather conditions Saturday there are liable to be new marks set up for Wisconsin tracks.

Fine State Fair

Wisconsin has a wonderful state fair; one of the most impressive features of farm crops, agriculture and horticulture ever presented in the west, a fair that is of utmost value educationally, scientifically and entertainingly, and a monument of human progress as well as a tribute to the managerial ability of all connected with the exposition.

Gypsies Run Out of Town

Providence, Aug. 30.

A band of gypsies, in seven automobiles, were driven off Main street, Woonsocket last week, by the police after complaints from various merchants that members of the band were creating disturbances in stores.

Acts for Outdoors

EVELYN and DELL
Cycling
10 Mins.; Full Stage
125th St.; New York

Mixed couple in a cycling turn that might fill the bill acceptably in a circus or fair but that would fail to provide the big thrill because of the lack of anything sensational in the routine. The woman accomplishes some speed and trick riding well, but her roller skating bit is as unnecessary and mediocre for the outdoors as it is in vaudeville.

The man affects a grotesque comedy makeup and makes use of many of the specialties known to comic cyclists. His falls and sharp turns to dodge the tormentors are up to the standard and his riding on the unicycle holds several precarious moments. A sly, toothless smile directed straight at the audience brings laughs, but it is overdone.

The turn is speeded up at the finish with some fast double work on a regular bicycle. The feature of this is the jumping of the man. He stands at the middle of the stage and lets the girl swoop down upon him on the wheel. At the last instant he leaps and clears the onrushing vehicle each time in a different way. This is the nearest thing to a genuine thrill in an act that can get by anywhere without excitement or displeasing.

KANE, MOREY and MOORE
Balancing
7 Mins.; Full Stage
State, New York

A three-man team dressed in white and doing two tricks that stand out among the best of their kind, one in particular being sensational. An act that can work in the outdoor field and hold the crowds at all times. Some fine Risley work, some exhibition of Japanese footwork and then a ladder, balanced upon the feet of one of the boys, on which one of the others performs. The finish, the understander balancing a silvered pole of unusual length on his forehead while one of the others climbs to the top and there does a full swing outward.

The work is neat and holds the audience.

TAN ARAKIS
Balancing Ladder
8 Mins.
81st St., New York

A Jap couple with one of the best balancing ladder turns on the boards. The man accomplishes a pedal balance of the ladder, while his dainty partner ascends for the routine, which also includes a pedal balancing bit on a platform atop the ladder. The turn is admirable for opening indoors and can fit any outdoor show. It is a question, however, if wind conditions would affect the exhibition in the open.

HASHI and OSAI
Japanese Perch and Ground
6 Mins.; Three
State, New York

A neat appearing Japanese couple, man and woman, do clever perch work and have a routine of water swinging and ground work also. They work at top speed and sell their stuff well.

Should make a good platform act, the woman's appearance going a long way toward putting the act over.

THREE MAXELLAS
Risley and Tumbling
8 Mins.; Full Stage
Greeley Square, New York

A trio of young lads, two attired in bell-hop costume and one in street clothes. The latter does the understanding work for some good Risley work, and the other two show lots of pep and snap in effective tumbling work. They'll do well in a park or circus.

Kruger's Short Tour

The contemplated eight weeks' tour of the Benny Kruger Brunswick-Balke Orchestra ended after the first week.

TRELLA CO. (3)
Cycle Novelty
7 Min.; Full Stage
Chateau, Chicago

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Trella and company is an European importation, which has played Toronto and Hamilton, Canada, before coming to Chicago. It is announced that the final trick is offered for the first time in America. This sensational display is on a circular track like a loop-the-loop, upon which the two men ride wheels, supported by their heads to a center piece, with bicycles placed in position upon which both ride at the same time. The first man enters the apparatus, and it is turned so that his feet are upright. The second man then enters, and a wheel is placed in position by the woman. He pedals for a moment until the other man is in position downward for a wheel to be given him. Then the two ride.

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CINCINNATI FESTIVAL

By HARRY V. MARTIN

Cincinnati, Aug. 30.

Backed by a $500,000 guarantee fund raised among manufacturers and merchants of the town, the Cincinnati Fall Festival and Industrial Exposition opened to fair attendance at noon yesterday and will continue to and including, Saturday, September 8.

The crowds were disappointed because of the non-arrival of the carnival acts which were to have shown on "Frolic Avenue." Most of these circus features, according to John G. Robinson, assistant director of the festival, were seen recently at the Shriners' conclave in Washington.

In addition to the guarantee fund all space has been sold. Unless the attendance falls below expectations, the festival should be a financial success. Cincinnati hasn't had a fall festival since 1911.

The big question is whether the country people from the entire Ohio valley will come to the show, in sufficient quantities to make it a paying proposition. It is believed by many that the festival was poorly inasmuch as the farmers are busy hereabouts during the last week of August and the first week of September, cutting corn. However, thanks to the automobile, it may be possible for the ruralites to see the exhibition and the same time to take care of the corn. One of the features of the festival is a large display of tractors and other farming implements.

The Boyd and Linderman carnival with 29 units, did not arrive until Monday.

The night pageant was considered a rather cheap affair, for a city the size of this. The pageant was one that would have been considered good some thirty years ago. Horace G. Williamson, local amusement producer, led the procession.

In the Music Hall, the "Hippodrome Show" is given daily at 2 and 7 p. m., and includes "The Cradle of Washington," picture; The Duttons, Helene Keasing, Slide for Life, Prince Matsamoic; trombone jazz, Phil Davis; Japanese juggling, the Great Toki Fugi; Spanish character songs, Lea Fred; trapeze act, Frances Sidney; tenor solo, George Mulhauser; "Spark Plug," the Dutton's miniature comedy mule; sextette from "Lucia," Marie Houston, Irene Duve, George Mulhauser, Edward Woelters, George Egbers, Joseph Schultze; aerial "looping the loop," Beatrice Jung; cornet solo, August Schaefer; soprano solo, Katherine Hoch, and Lora Shadurskaya and W. Kuderoff, classical dancers.

Sunday night there was no Hippodrome show. Instead "A Tale of Old Japan," a cantata by Coleridge Taylor was staged. Monday was "Cincinnati Day." Warner Sayers, president of the Fall Festival Association, and Froome Morris, vice-major, were the principal speakers. Their talks were broadcasted by "W.L.W.," the Crosley Manufacturing Company's radio station. Tuesday was "West Virginia Day." Wednesday, "Tennessee Day," with Governor Austin Peay of that commonwealth as the orator. A radio wedding ceremony was held Wednesday at 9 a. m. A couple lured on by the prospect of receiving many presents from merchants that they never expected agreed to be the victims. Today is "Indiana Day," the speaker will be Governor Warren T. McCray of the Hoosier state. Friday is "Cincinnati Reds' Day," speakers Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, Pat Moran, manager of the Reds, and Garry Herrmann, their president. Saturday is "Home Coming Day," speaker George P. Carrel, mayor of Cincinnati. On "Indiana Day," Cyrena Van Gordon, mezzo contralto of the Chicago Opera Company, who received her early vocal training in Cincinnati, will give a recital in Music Hall at 8 p. m., the prices ranging from 50 cents to $1.

Sunday has been designated "Band Day." The Festival Orchestra, directed by George R. Myers will play and there will be several vocal selections. Monday, "Labor Day," Vic Donahey, Governor of Ohio, speaks at 8 p. m., and prominent labor leaders also are down for talks. Other special days are: "Cincinnati Fraternal Day," Tuesday, September 4; "Kentucky Day," Sept. 5; "Agricultural Day," Sept. 6; "Ohio Day," Sept. 7; "Warner Sayers Day," Sept. 8. The Festival closes Sept. 8.

John Steele, tenor, will give a recital in Music Hall on Agricultural Day. Prices 50 cents and $1.

A gate admission of 50 cents is charged for the Festival. The Hippodrome costs 25 and 50 cents. Carnival shows also are extra. Harry P. Gardner is managing director. Gardner recently put on the Cincinnati Automobile Show. This is his first attempt at other amusements. John G. Robinson, veteran circus man, has been a valuable assistant to Gardner and so has Howard M. Wilson, who resigned as assistant convention manager of the Chamber of Commerce, to become office manager for the Festival.

One of the principal attractions is the "Tower of Jewels," an electrical display erected in Washington Park, to attract attention to the exhibition.

The last Festival was a financial failure. This one looks like it will go over.

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MANSFIELD, MASS., FAIR

Brockton, Mass., Aug. 30.

Typical New England fair weather featured the three-day observance on Aug. 22-24 of the 57th annual Marshfield fair.

The first of the southeastern New England fairs to be held attracted an average daily attendance of between 10,000 and 12,000 people. A feature was the acts secured through the Keith office of Boston.

The vaudeville bill presented morning and afternoon included the Azimas, aerial act; Hommes and His Trained Horses, Lorden Girls, ladder act; Techom's Cats, St. Onge Trio, aerial act, and Harold Cates in double and triple parachute leaps.

State Patrol Feature

What is accredited as the most novel event of the fair program was the appearance for the first time in Massachusetts of Captain James A. Parker and his State Patrol Unit of Rough Riders.

The state patrol act proved a sensation and second to none of the most daring circus and trick riders ever seen in this district. One accident marred the act, and that occurred purely through unavoidable measures and not from a lack of skill. Trooper Charles MacMillan, one of the most daring riders of the troop, sustained several contusions and abrasions when thrown heavily during a somersault stunt in the saddle when a girth of the saddle snapped. The injured trooper was treated by the patrol surgeon and his condition declared not serious.

The principal midway attraction was the motordrome concession under the management of Ted Brown, billed as "The Flying Demon."

State Statutes Observed

A record was made this year in view of the fact that no trouble was experienced from the concessionaires all remaining strictly within the limits of the state statutes as applied to games of chance. One state detective was assigned to supervise.

Theresa Sprague, Brockton concert soprano soloist, was accompanied by B. Milo Burke's 16-piece band.

last year's 140 to but 70 this year for better handling. Heretofore carnival companies have been granted licenses for practically this entire end of the fair. This, Mr. Muncaster states, worked very well at first until the last year they got beyond his control, ringing in girl shows of questionable value along with some gambling. The holding of the control within the fair's officials' hands this year has proven the best method, according to the secretary, who added that not one complaint had come through where under the previous arrnagements his biggest job was straightening out patrons who felt they had been imposed upon.

Reh on Grounds

The only amusement man on the grounds is Johnny L. Reh, a showman with 30 years' experience and whom it develops put up his first tent at this same fair. He is presenting a ten-in-one side show that is a good, clean attraction as well as legitimate, with 10c. admission, with the crowd leaving the tent well satisfied. Reh also has the Ferris wheel well taken care of and in good condition.

Edward Oliver, a local man, had the merry-go-round and about 30 other concessions on the grounds. Oliver has built up quite an outfit

ROCKVILLE COUNTY FAIR, MD.

By HARDIE MEAKIN

Washington, D. C., Aug. 27.

Just let him who believes that the old Americanism is gone take a day off and attend the 70th annual Rockville Fair iin Montgomery County, Md., and rub elbows with the tanned farmer, his wife, with her hardened hands from labor, and his buxom, sunburned daughter and stalwart son, and any feelings along those lines will be entirely dissipated.

There wasn't a place within that 30-acre enclosure comprising the fair grounds but was crowded with good-natured humanity, all pleasure bent and proud to show not only what their own county had done, but also those adjacent. Making a liberal allowance for passes with a 50-cent admission charged, the fair association's treasury will have little room ior complaint. Autos paid a parking fee of 25 cents.

The extremely sudden change in the weather failed to hold back a crowd, although Wednesday did show a light attendance and it rained the entire day. Special car service is run from Washington, it taking about an hour to reach the grounds from the outskirts of the city. These cars were all crowded, which indicated that those of the city are also interested in these county and state fairs.

Exhibits Very Good

The exhibits were particularly good, the association having awarded some 900 ribbons, all with cash prizes, in the poultry show alone, with 220 ribbons for cattle and 100 ribbons for the horses. Another hundred are given on sheep and hogs.

As for the concessions, there wasn't one that didn't have a crowd from three to four ows banked in front. The merry-go-round and Ferris wheel and the other rides had them fighting for their turns.

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Medicine Show

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The association annually awards some $4,800 in premiums, with about $3,700 additional going as prizes in the racing. In addition to Mr. Muncaster, the secretary, who was first connected with the fair when but 18 years old (acting as secretary for 12 years before his retirement, only to again return four years ago), the officers of the association are: Clarence L. Gilpin, president; John B. Diamond, vice president; Margaret M. Muncaster, assistant secretary, and Eugene V. Cissel, treasurer.

The board of directors, each with his own department to promote, includes William A. Waters, Emory Rickets, John B. Diamond, Lewis W. Barnsley, Thomas I. Fulks, James C. Christopher, Clarence L. Gilpin, Charles G. Holland, William J. Thomas, L. A. Hoellman, Henry White, James R. King, Hary J. Hunt, James D. King, Perrie E. Waters and Frank Thomas.

RIVERVIEW PARK MARDI GRAS

Chicago, Aug. 30.

With crowds estimated at over 40,000 heralded each evening by a band of 80 pieces, with the largest and noisiest drum in America, directed by William A. Rothe, Riverside Park is in the midst of its Mardi Gras which commenced Aug. 18 and concludes Sept. 16.

When visited there were around 15,000 masqueraders in line, participants in the floral parade, which features the opening each night.

Credit should be given A. R. Hodge, assistant general manager of the park, for his spectacle "My Grandmother's Flower Garden." Each of the ten magnificent floats faithfully depict, plastically and animately, flowers including morning glories, the lily, batchelor's buttons, blue bells, sunflowers, pansies, fuschias, the daisy and the poppy. The title float is one bouquet of all flowers represented in the center of which is posed "Grandma" by her side—the Goddess Flora.

It is a floral dream with the prettiest of figuarantes, forgotten by many of us. Hodge's production is a triumph of pageantry idealized by its floral beauty.

Interest in Riverview's annual Mardi Gras was never so great as now and the attendance is larger than on any previous year.

The maskers find their greatest pleasure and regalement in the grand masque balls held nightly in the park's ballroom—its music, brilliant lights and pretty decorations proving a magnet.

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Carnival attractions galore grace the many midways, the entire 147 acres of Riverview being taken up with enjoyable attractions.

There are well over 100 concessions, where you can obtain a piano or a "Henry" for a dime or candy at five cents, that is of course provided "Lady Luck" is with you. On an average every night a "Lizzie" goes to a new owner or a piano finds a home, and there are other wheels which give out everything imaginable in the way of merchandise—floor lamps, groceries, silk umbrellas, blankets, etc., together with novelties galore. They are doing big business proving unmistakably that the public crave the innocent excitement gained from the lure of the wheel and by their liberal patronage enabling the park concessionaires to give real value for money received. From observation and inquiry the percentage of profit in most cases is not much over that asked in retail stores, taking into consideration the expenses and other incidentals necessary to operate at Riverview.

The public is enjoying it and not a single complaint was heard from any one of the crowd.

Crowds were at Riverview Saturday last, but they were not record crowds. The record day was two years ago at a Socialist rally and party, when 278,000 passed the gates. There is another Socialist party scheduled Sunday next, Sept. 2, when Eugene V. Debs will speak. Labor Day is taken for the rally of the 23d Ward Republican Club which held a picnic at Riverview two years ago with an attendance of 160,000. The Commonwealth Edison Co. sold 178,000 tickets for their benefit fund this year for Commonwealth Riverview Day, and well over 70,000 of their tickets were taken in at the gates. Polish Day, Swedish Day, Danish Day and Scottish Day were all big attendances and show plainly that Chicago's great playground is ever increasing in popularity.

The rain and cold of the latter part of May and early June so militated against attendance figures that Riverview started off with the worst attendance on record, but in spite of this handicap, this year the park has so increased daily attendance that it is in excess of any former year at present, with prospects under favorable weather conditions of exceeding any former mark.

Riverview Park is accounted one of the largest amusement parks in the world. Covers 147 and a fraction acres, employs 1,400 attaches and employes in all departments, is the only amusement park in the country that owns its own race track, has more riding devices than all Coney Island put together and is Chicago's great summer artery for relaxation and entertainment.

The president is William Schmidt, first vice-president, Mrs. Minnie Schmidt; second vice-president, Henry Merle; secretary-treasurer and general manager, George A. Schmidt; assistant secretary and general manager, A. R. Hodge.

No story of Riverview park would be complete without mentioning the dean of press agents, famous writer and lovable character, James S. Hutton, who is the personification of courtesy, and the embodiment of show wisdom—a gentleman.

LINCOLN AMUSEMENT PARK

BY H. MATSON

Los Angeles, Aug. 25.

The phenomenal growth of this park has been little short of marvelous. It occupys 12 acres of ground in Los Angeles and is situated on two five-cent car lines, with transfer facilities from all parts of the city, and is opposite the oldest and most popular of the city's parks, "Lincoln Park." It is in close proximity to Selig Zoo, the California Ostrich Farm and L. A. Alligator Farm.

This park was originally conceived by Col. Pafenbach in 1915 and in 1920 Mr. Barrett took charge. The first new improvement was a mammoth roller skating rink erected by A. W. Rutherford and A. S. Rolph, which netted nearly 150 per cent. on the investment of $25,000. Among recent developments are a Jay Wheel and a miniature railway owned by W. L. Mars. The shooting gallery purchased by the Misses Schnell is operating with profit, as is the African Dip, run by the two brothers of the young ladies. Charlie Rising is the hot dog king of the park. J. S. Bloom of Venice has the orange juice, a Kentucky Derby and Monkey Race and a cigarette shooting gallery, all with satisfactory results. J. Ward has an Hawaiian show. Frank McMahon operates a cat rack, chip game, dart rack and star flashes, all offering attractive prizes to the lucky winners of dolls, candy and many new little novelties. Mr. Keys has a very neat refreshment stand. The exclusive pop corn concession is held by Mr. Payne.

All the concessions are supervised by Clark and Clark.

J. Sky Clark is the dean of California showmen and was for a long time associated with leading outdoor shows and proprietor of the Clark museum in this city. His brother, Harry Clark, had the candy privilege with the Al. G. Barnes show, Mat Gay, the champion high diver, is fulfilling a second season and attracts large crowds at his performances. A prosperous grocery store is operated by Mr. Segbarth. The Peacock lunch stand is in charge of Morreno. An electric flasher by M. Ladue.

Mr. Rolph, manager skating rink, has closed negotiations for the erection of a giant fun house on the order of the one operated in Coney Island at the Tilyou Steeplechase Park.

D. E. Jones erected a fifty-six foot, four abreast, Herschell carrousel, which has been doing a good business since its opening six months ago.

J. N. Clark has moved from Idora Park, his Whip and Magic Carpet, to this place.

A set of captive aeroplanes owned by Richard Garvey and operated by E. Stanley Cribb, has also been wonderfully successful.

C. Steffins, late of Oak's Park, Portland, Ore., operates a number 12 big Ely ferris wheel to good business. The management is negotiating with Church and Pryor, who may build one of their famous rides similar to those at Venice and Ocean Park.

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SPRINGFIELD LAKE PARK

By EDDIE MACK

Akron, O., Aug. 30.

Located a few miles south of Akron on the lake is Springfield Lake Park, newest of eastern Ohio amusement parks and a resort that is rapidly forging to the front as one of the best recreation centers in the state of Ohio. Manager Foster M. Crawford has been in charge of the resort for the past four years, in fact, since it was first opened. It is owned and operated by the Springfield Lake Park Co.

The main attraction is the mammoth dance pavilion erected at a cost of $40,000 two years ago, which is the largest in this section of the state. It is built out over the lake and is open all round, with the usual refreshment concessions at the right of the main entrance.

For the past two years Ralph Norwood, orchestra director, has been in charge of the music at the pavilion. This year he has had ten men and on special occasions used two pianos. The band is widely known throughout this section of the state.

Erected new this spring at an approximate cost of $15,000, the "Radio Streak," a new ride and one of the safest and fastest park rides in this section, is a big attraction. The ride is owned by the Springfield Lake Park Co. and is managed by Herman Robinson. It has been a big drawing card all season.

Other concessions owned and operated by the park company include a pool room, skee ball alley, merry-go-round and race track, in addition to a number of refreshment privileges.

Harry Miller of Canton has the shooting gallery, doll rack and striker. William Belasky operates a roast beef and sandwich concession which is one of the most profitable at the resort.

A complete bath house, bathing beach and boat house are operated by the Springfield Lake Park Co. A hundred boats are operated at the boat house. C. J. Campbell conducts a blanket wheel concession. Ed Kubu has the cafeteria.

Manager Crawford announces that plans already are under way for extensive improvements next spring, to include the installation of a 50-passenger launch on the lake, some new amusement features added on the midway, and a number of the present buildings to be improved and repainted.

Springfield Lake Park is accessible by automobile and the Akron-Canton interurban electric line, which runs right by the entrance. Parking space is available for 1,000 cars.

The park maintains a baseball diamond, picnic grounds with all accommodations for its patrons. Excursions are run via the Akron-Canton Cleveland interurban lines.

Canton and Akron capital is interested in the Springfield Lake Park.

INDOOR CIRCUS AT LAFAYETTE, N. Y.

This house is a 1,550 seater on two floors located in the heart of the Harlem "black belt." It has been in the habit of playing colored musical and tabloid shows and at times vaudeville. Coleman Brothers who operate the place found themselves short of an idea for the current week, so some booking agent who had a quantity of dumb acts at his disposal came along and suggested a circus. The proposition sounded good to the house owners, with the result that this is circus week at the house.

Just what the idea of those who proposed the project to the managers was in the line of an indoor circus cannot be conjured, as it is doubtful that they had in mind the Berlin or German type of indoor circus; if so, their conception of it was very much distorted, as the only resemblance to a circus on the interior was a whistle blown by a stage hand to announce that the stage was ready for the next act.

On the outside a good job was done. Covering the center of the front was a 40-foot cloth banner showing the exterior of Ketchem, Cheatem and Skinim's Circus, also two large banners on each side of the entrance, a pair of unfunny clowns, and four rather feeble and decrepit black bears in cages. Also as a free sight there was Mme. Stefanek, a plump Bohemian woman, who permitted herself to be put into a straitjacket and bound, then hoisted 50 feet to the top of the building via a block and tackle, hanging feet down. When she got to the top the Mme. quickly got rid of her bonds and was lowered to the ground. Next the attention of the crowd was drawn to Nelson, who, with a leather grip inserted between his teeth and a four-foot rope to hold the grip, pulled a 3,875-pound automobile with seven passengers for half a block. This the onlookers liked, but it seemed as though the torrid weather Wednesday evening kept them from the box office. Inside of the lobby a calliope was going all evening, even during the performance. The lobby was liberally covered with sawdust, but the management failed to carry out the circus program further when it came to the interior of the house.

Show Cost $1,700

The show consisted of 12 dumb acts, which were supplied at a cost of $1,675, with the other decorations and stunts costing $225. The performance, as the price would signify, proved weak. It was figured by the management that the proposition would be a big money getter, so seats on the lower floor were scaled at 99 cents, while the upper portion of the house, which seats 800, was scaled from 30 to 99 cents.

It was apparent on Monday that the scale was too high for the gross that day was $450. Tuesday drew in around $500, while Wednesday showed a gross of $620 on the two performances. That evening 88 people sat on the lower floor by actual count, with the cheaper seats in the balcony being comfortably filled. Evidently those who had seen the show on the previous days to Wednesday had recommended that it might furnish a bit of amusement for the cheaper prices but would hardly satisfy otherwise.

The first portion of the show ran 50 minutes and the last half 45 minutes.

Upon the rise of the curtain a rather poorly set stage with a drop of a Roman amphitheatre revealed Andrew's Bears, four black bruins who went through a routine of simple feats in a slow and unimpressive manner. Following them were Barbette Patrick and Partner, woman and man, in hand-to-hand and perch feats. The woman acted as understander and easily juggled her male partner. It is a standard small-time act. Next came August and September, a pair of unfunny clowns who did ground tumbling while the stage was being readied for Chief Tenderhoe, Indian baritone and trapeze performer, who is another vaudeville recruit. The Chief got himself under the skins of the audience and was the first to arouse interest in the performance. Following was Mme. Stefanek, who repeated her stunt done on the exterior of the theatre by being raised to the flies. Next was Albert Bristol, an acrobatic contortionist, who did a bit of ground tumbling and contortion work while the stage was being set for Maxine Brothers and Wood, three men, who appeared on the Shubert circuit last season, with equilibristic feats, balancing and hand jumping stunts. This act aroused a bit of interest also.

Second Half

Opening the second part was Olympia Desval with her aggregation of dogs in the novelty, "Sports in Russia." The work of the Russian wind hounds and terriers stood far above that of the other canines and put the act over nicely. It might have been that Mme. Desval was cramped for room here and could not present the act as accustomed to. On next came the Florence Duo, man and woman, with comedy acrobatic stunts and tumbling. To put over the climax of their endeavor they brought on a four-year-old girl who danced, pranced and tumbled to the edification of the crowd.

The Nelson Duo, consisting of the strong-jaw man and a woman, were next, with the man offering a versatile routine which consisted of acrobatic ground feats, contortion twists and exercises and a series of strong-jaw stunts where he used the woman for a subject to twist and twirl. He concluded his portion of the work by drawing the automobile across the stage in the same manner as he had done outdoors earlier in the evening. August and September then trotted out with the curtain being lowered to enable the stage to be set for the closing turn. The clowns indulged in talk and a burlesque routine until the Four Perezoffs, three women and a man, were ready to do their juggling and knockabout caper in the "crazy kitchen" setting, which consisted of juggling kitchen utensils, dishes and other implements, with a sprinkling here and there of low comedy stunts and gags. This turn was relished more than any on the bill.

The circus will continue until Sunday night, with a special midnight show today (Friday). It is quite evident the management will more than get a break on the stunt, but will not get what they figured on financially when the idea was first suggested.

Vaudeville Replaces Tab

Grand Rapids, Mich., Aug. 30.

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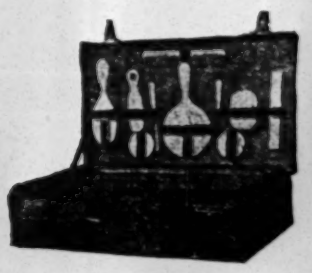

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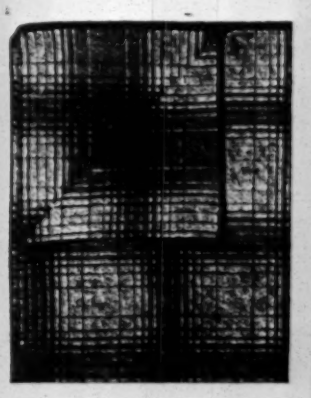

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Burlington, Vt., Aug. 30.

The American Exposition Shows, Inc., played at Winooski the week prior to their opening of the fair season. The shows were at their best. Although hampered by a small lot, the midway showed good judgment in arrangement.

These shows have made a marked improvement over what they were several years ago, and one familiar with them could not help but notice it. As in the past, they are owned and managed by M. J. Lapp, with his wife as secretary and treasurer. J. W. Newkirk is general press representative and E. Newcombe is general agent. The show has grown from 12 cars of last year to 15.

The organization is composed of eight shows, four rides and about 35 concessions.

Shows Clean

The shows are all clean and away from the girl type. The feature attraction is the Solodrome, with Virginia Suduath riding. Miss Suduath does some thrilling stunts on a racing machine on the steep walls of the drome. The other shows are the ten-in-one, five-in-one, athletic and pit show variety.

The rides are all owned by the management, including a merry-go-round, whip, ferris wheel, and plane swings. The ride equipment is kept up in good order and was as bright as if just painted.

The concessions are all wheels with the exception of two ball games, a fish pond and a couple of "pitch till you win."

In spite of the cold unfavorable weather and the fact that the lot was located some distance from the car line, the outfit did business at night. The crowds were spending well.

Allowed Strong Language

The American Exposition Shows easily fit into the class of good shows and, with one exception, objectionable features were not present on their midway. The only thing that could be objected to was the way in which the agent of a ball pitching game handled his patrons. The persons playing this game were mostly men, and failure to knock down the dolls got some strong language, but the operator only bantered with the players, making no effort to stop the flow of language.

It is an easy matter to remedy this one fault, for it is hurting business.

The Clipper man stood by this game for nearly half an hour and watched the crowds at that booth and the one on each side of it. Time after time he saw men and women venture to the three stands, but, upon hearing the language used, move on. It was hard on the two stands that have to be located with this one. *Russell.*

RAHWAY EXPOSITION

The Coney Island attractions have an outdoor exposition at Rahway, N. J., all this week under the auspices of the Rahway Fire Department, under the direction of Herbert Reinwald. Opening Monday, the rain interfered with the official opening, which included a fireman's parade with engines, hose trucks, etc., and on Tuesday, the rain continuing, the opening was postponed again until Wednesday, when fair weather made the event a big success with turnouts from all the local establishments under the patronage of the city fathers.

The rides and concessions all got a good play Wednesday and indications suggest banner business for the balance of the week. The concessions, with a liberal distribution of prizes and the spick and span appearance, have made a good impression and are securing liberal patronage. The following rides are in operation: Carousel, The Whip, Venetian Swings (gondolas), Aeroplane Ride and Eli Bridge Wheel. Twelve concessions, all of which have been passed by the New York License Bureau were in operation, consisting of fruit, dolls, silverware, blankets, candy, and other merchandise booths. These are conducted by the Bernheim and Phillips concern and their liberal distribution of prizes is resulting in big business. A cookhouse, refreshment stand, jolly apples, and ball games are other concessions on the ground, doing well.

Captain La Bell, the veteran circus man, has joined the outfit for this week only, prior to commencing his lecture tour and display of objects of interest from the Arctic regions. His show, entitled "The Trail of the North," is interesting for its educational value. He lectures on the natives of the North, their customs, mode of livelihood, etc., exhibiting a dog team, sleds, weapons, clothing, etc., with storied examples of the chances taken by men who forsake the beaten trail and brave the dangers of the Frozen North.

This show is only one of several which the Coney Island Attractions Co. put out in different sections of the country and it is booked for several weeks in New Jersey under fraternal, social, and political auspices.

The Endy Shows, Pop Endy, manager, is playing at Tom's River, N. J., as an attraction for the local "Home Week" celebration. Business was off the first part of the week owing to the weather, but has picked up nicely since the sun commenced to shine.

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THE GIRL OF THE OLDEN WEST—Henry Burr (Vocal). TEN THOUSAND YEARS FROM NOW—Same—Victor No. 19104.

"The Girl of the Olden West" (Gillespie-Cooke-Van Alstyle) evidently was inspired by and based on the film revival of David Belasco's "Girl of the Golden West." The lyric covers the latter's central character faithfully, and its musical setting makes it an appealing vocal number in waltz tempo. The veteran Burr's tenoring is perfect. Similarly Burr bats. 1000 with the latest Ernest R. Ball ballad entry, "Ten Thousand Years from Now" (lyric by J. Keirn Brennan), which is of the typical Ball school and sounds like it will take its place with the other Ball ballad classics. It's a corking sentimental number.

DOWN AMONG THE SLEEPY HILLS OF TEN-TEN-TENNESSEE—Okeh Star Trio (Vocal). OH! HOW SHE LIED TO ME—Aileen Stanley—Okeh No. 4905.

The popular "Ten-Ten-Tennessee" (Lewis-Young-Meyer), number is interestingly trioed by tenor, baritone and soprano mixed voices. Virginia Burt is also present with a banjo imitation for the interlude. Aileen Stanley's version of the comedy number, "Oh! How She Lied" (Harry White-Will Donaldson) is of the usual high Stanley standard.

STELLA (Fox Trot)—The Happy Six RITZI MITZI—Same—Columbia No. 3927

Two snappy and popular dance tunes are capably delivered by the Happy Six. "Stella" (Jolson-Davis-Akst) was intended for another "Margie," which Benny Davis co-authored. For this purpose Jolson's co-operation was enlisted, but the comedian eliminated it from his "Bombo" routine a day after the opening for "inside stuff" reasons. However, the number has caught on to some extent even if it didn't approach the "Margie" dimensions. "Margie" figures in "Stella" in another way. The Happy Six have incorporated a few snatches of the old hit and worked it in novelly. The sextet's piano tickler figures prominently in the instrumentalization on both sides. "Ritzi Mitzi" has some corking "breaks" and effects that should make it a popular favorite in the disc buyer's collection.

CIGARETTE (Tango)—International Novelty Orchestra THE CUP OF SORROW—Same—Victor No. 19096

A pair of interesting tango renditions, a bit more captivating than the usual Castilian tangos in that they possess more melody and general aural appeal in between the routine castinet clickings. Strangely enough, "Cigarette," by John H. Densmore, and evidently not of native Latin origin, is more fetching than Enrique Delfino's "Cup of Sorrow" from the melody viewpoint. Both, however, possess the usual Spanish coloring and flavor to appeal to tango dancers.

MY SWEETIE WENT AWAY (Fox Trot)—Charles Kerr's Orchestra OPHELIA—Same—Edison No. 51194

Kerr's rendition of both fox trot numbers are best described as "snappy." That is the most impressive feature of both selections. Their kick makes them extremely likely for dance purposes. "My Sweetie Went" is an unusual dance number, but "Ophelia," by Kerr and George B. McConnell, is equally snappy.

HOUSE OF DAVID BLUES (Fox Trot)—Chicago Blues Dance Orchestra BLUE GRASS BLUES—Same—Columbia No. 3923

Schoebel-Meyers-Mills are responsible for both "blues" jointly. Both are typical examples of the colored indigo school of dance compositions in which the rhythm predominates at the expense of melody. The clarionet gets in some wicked stuff in the "House of David" number and the trombone's braying makes novel background for the jazz stuff in the other number. The Chicago Blues Dance Orchestra is a new disk combination, but sufficient for the "blues" purpose thereof as exemplified here.

CHINAMEN BLUES (Fox Trot)—Erskine Tate's Vendome Orchestra CUTIE BLUES—Same—Okeh No. 4907

Erskine Tate's orchestra debuts with this disk as a new Okeh recording combination. They hail from Chicago, where the band is a feature of the Vendome theatre in the Windy City's Ethiopian quarter. Played by a dusky aggregation, it is only to be expected that these "blues" bear the genuine African stamp from every angle. Corking for dance purposes, both.

THE ARGENTINES, THE PORTUGUESE AND THE GREEKS—Duncan Sisters (Vocal) STICK-IN-THE-MUD—Same—Victor No. 19113

The number with the international title by Carey Morgan and Arthur Swanstrom is an old entry which Herbert Corthell introduced in a Hammerstein production three or four years ago. The Duncan Sisters revive it and prove that the comedy points are as effective now as then. Their close harmony does not mar the clear lyric diction which makes the recording highly interesting. In "Stick-in-the-Mud," an original number, they forsake their ukes in favor of Phil Ohman's piano accompaniment. It's a typical Duncan kid number about their juvenile nickname, "Stick-in-the-Mud." Both sides are novel and interesting.

SOME DAY YOU'LL CRY OVER SOMEONE (Fox Trot)—Yerkes' Flotilla Orchestra I CAN'T FORGET YOU—Same—Columbia No. 3928

This marks the Flotilla orchestra's first record as an exclusive Columbia combination. It should prove a popular one and the combination should build up a following if they maintain the pace. "Cry" (Milton Charles) is a melodious fox of elusive classical melody origin in the theme strain, but, nonetheless, a zippy entry. A staccato stop time rhythm stands out and a chimes effect adds further coloring to the recording. "I Can't Forget You" (Harry Akst) is another snappy dance tune of soft melodious appeal in which the banjo has an opportunity to scintillate.

MY SWEETIE WENT AWAY—(Fox Trot)—Markel's Orchestra. ON THE ISLE OF WICKI WACKI WOO—Same—Okeh No. 4898

The Markels Orchestra struts its jazz stuff wickedly in the "sweetie" number, a peach of a dance tune to begin with, and possessed of interesting rhythm that can't miss. "Wicki Wacki Woo" is a typical Walter Donaldson rhythmic fox trot of even and well-defined tempo that ought to connect. The couplet is interestingly told from every standpoint.

CAROLINA MAMMY (Fox Trot)—Paul Victorin's Orchestra. TOOT TOOT TOOTSIE (Fox)—Broadway Dance Orchestra—Edison No. 51191.

"Carolina Mammy" (Billy James), an up-to-the-minute pop number, is coupled here with a comparatively antique selection. "Tootsie" strangely sounds even better now for some reason than when at its height, its temporary demise probably accounting for its fresh though catchily familiar impression now. Victorin's Orchestra does some great work in the "mammy" number, the xylo tinkling to the saxo's obligato gyrations, for instance, being an impressive high light. There are a number of flashy instrumental effects in the orchestration. "Tootsie," on the other side, is "canned" in superb fashion.

BLUE HOOSIER BLUES (Fox Trot)—Great White Way Orchestra. ANNABELLE (Fox)—Brooke Johns and Orchestra—Victor No. 19108

This is a pip of a record, a little better than the usual run of the top notch Victor standard. The "Hoosier Blues" (Friend-Meskill-Baer) is a smooth, melodious blues of unusual rhythmic distinction and a favorite metropolitan dance number. "Annabelle" is a sure-fire successor to "Georgette," and by the same writers (Lew Brown-Ray Henderson). It has an appealing snap and swing that intrigues on first hearing. Brooke Johns vocalizes a chorus to his banjo accompaniment. For the rest, the violin carries the melody distinctively, with the saxo and chimes also figuring interestingly. The orchestra is under the direction of Jack Shilkret.

OVER 500 VISITING PLACES IN LONDON

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ing about the country at the moment who can be seen driving his horse through the country lanes, or cooking his simple dinner by the evening camp fire. He is a big, burly red-faced man, always willing to have a chat with his comrades of the road. Despite his geniality, however, they would probably give him a wide berth did they but know who the nomad was. It happens to be Mr. Justice Eve taking a rest from his duties in the High Court.

The war office has a scheme by which showmen will benefit in normal times, and the country in those of peril or attack. The W. O. will pay a subsidy of $200 a year to all purchasers of 30-ton lorries fitted with huge pneumatic tires and with approved chassis of British manufacture. In return the W. O. claims the right to purchase the lorries in a case of natural emergency at a price to be fixed by agreement. The Secretary of State for War is forwarding copies of the specifications, and of the subsidy agreement to all who request them.

Ireland still has a love for taking her pleasures wildly. During a bean-feast at Tramore, a little Co. Waterford seaside resort, Civic Guards found it necessary to arrest a member of the party. Immediately his companions, numbering between 50 or 60, proceeded to the rescue. A pitched battle was soon in progress, the guards charging with batons, and the pleasure-seekers replying with revolver fire. The only casualty reported was a railway guard, who was wounded.

The opening of the historic Mitcham Fair by the Lord of Manor, Sir H. Mallaby-Deeley, Aug. 13, was an occasion for mixed feelings in the hearts of the showmen whose forefathers had provided entertainment on the Common for centuries.

It was thy last time for the fair in its old position as the ground is required for improvements.

Next year the fair will be marked out by Council officials, and for the first time in history showmen will have to pay for their positions.

The new position will be on the Three Kings Green. After Sir H. Mallaby Deeley had declared the fair open, using the gold key which has been handed down for the purpose through generations, Dr. Shephard mounted a lorry and read the ancient charter of Queen Elizabeth, declaring that fair should be held at Mitcham every year in August. He concluded by asking the blessing of God on all showfolk and those who provided innocent amusement.

For the last time the Common is crowded by side shows of every kind, roundabouts, swings, slides, games, boxing booths, and everything that can temporarily give an excuse for the term "Merrie England."

The weather has broken, at any rate as far as London is concerned but the influx of visitors continues, and the seaside resorts are by no means showing signs of any abatement in the carnival spirit. Bournemouth's Carnival opened, and the first even was a children's toy boat regatta on the waters of Boscombe Park lake. This was followed by a procession of children with decorated doll perambulators to the pier. At the same time the swimming race for the police championship was held and won by Constable Heron. The main event was the parade of some three hundred fancy dress competitors in decorated cars. This was followed by a battle of balloons, which was waged until the town's supply of balloons ran out.

Clacton terminated its carnival with a swimming gala and water pageant, followed by a procession a mile long, a firework display and a carnival dance.

OUTDOOR FIELD MAY BE INVITED BY FILM MEN IN ADMISSION TAX REPEAL

Exhibitors Going to Congress—Need Tax for Themselves Through High Rentals Demanded for Pictures—May Be Satisfied with Modification

The outdoor show field may be requested to lend its force in the forthcoming fight which the picture exhibitors are going to wage in the national legislature for the repeal of the present admission tax. At present there are three or four different factions in the picture exhibiting field that have been working at cross purposes. These are to be brought together into one committee for the purpose of waging this battle.

The committee will try to come to an understanding with the representatives of the outdoor field with a view to their lending strength.

Exhibitors Undecided

At present the exhibitors have not reached a decision whether they should go before the Ways and Means Committee and ask for a repeal of all admission taxes, or only for a modification of the present law, exempting admission possibly up to $1. It is possible the picture people will be satisfied with the dropping of the tax on admissions up to 50 cents.

A great many of the picture houses believe that where they are now charging an admission price of 27 cents and 3 cents tax, making a total of 30 cents, they will be able to maintain that price and keep what is now the tax for themselves. They say that this item makes the difference between whether they will be able to keep open or not in the face of rising film rental prices and the increases in wage scales for union help.

The fight will interest park managements located permanently.

The music at the Brockton Fair, Brockton, Mass., which opens Oct. 9 will be furnished by three bands, Milo Burke's, Mace Gay's, and Manning's.

$2,000,000 FOR HIGHLANDS PLAN

Promoters Figuring on Large Investment for Harbor Project

It is now estimated that the Atlantic Highlands amusement resort being promoted by interests associated with Charles Diamond will ultimately involve more than $2,000,000, and the $500,000 mentioned in connection with the enterprise covers only preliminary construction.

The development is still in a formative stage, although the proposition has gone as far as the drawing of plans by construction companies and the filing of bids for certain departments of work.

U. S. TO FURNISH FREE GUIDES TO WASHINGTON BUILDINGS

Former Guides Who Sought Remuneration to Be Replaced—Sergeant-at-Arms Rodgers Announces the New Policy

Variety-Clipper Bureau Evans Bldg., Washington, Aug. 30

Each year the number of visitors to the nation's capitol number into the hundreds of thousands, and from each of these has been extracted a substantial toll from "guides" at the historical old capitol building of the nation. These "guides" have charged practically any fee they thought they could get, taking large groups through the buildings wherein sits both houses of Congress, and the United States Supreme Court as well as a number of representatives whose offices are located in the building due to the lack of adequate office space in the House Office Building proper.

A small group of men have controlled this sightseeing monopoly for a great number of years, some of them having grown extremely wealthy from this one source of revenue alone. Now, however, this is evidently going to be changed, and the old capitol will have a "Free Gate," and those taxpayers whose money goes to maintain the building and pay the salaries of those making the nation's laws within its walls will no longer be held up for an admission charge.

Steps Taken to Oust Guides

Steps have already been taken to oust these guides and to install a federal system by the government which will be free to all-comers. Sergeant-at-arms Joseph G. Rodgers, of the House of Representatives, made this announcement last week. Rodgers has held several conferences with David Barry, sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, and they have agreed that the present guide system was undemocratic and an unsatisfactory arrangement to all concerned, except to the guides themselves.

Mr. Rodgers said "There is no other public building in the country as far as I know, where the people are charged a fee. Even here in Washington, guides are furnished by the government, in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, for instance."

"The Washington monument is furnished with elevator operators and watchmen, and the public carried free of charge. Even state capitols make no charge for admission and sightseeing tours.

"At Harrisburg, Penn.," he continued, "the state furnishes guides to conduct the public through the state capitol, and it is my understanding that other states provide the same facilities."

Appropriation Needed

That the two sergeant-at-arms mean to carry through their convictions on the matter and oust the present guides is fully believed, and during the forthcoming session of Congress which convenes this winter, that body will be asked to appropriate sufficient money to establish a guide system under the control of the federal officials. A salarly of $1,200 a year, Mr. Rodgers believes will be asked for each guide.

No one knows how much the present guides realize in a year from their present escort of huge parties through the building. Efforts have been made to check up on their earnings, but there is no law or regulation at the capitol at the present that would compel the permitting of any checking on their earnings.

EARLES PAID $10 A FT. AT AURORA

Wholesale Concessionaire Satisfied with Season

Chicago, Aug. 30.

Burt Earles closed his season at the end of the Central States Exposition at Aurora, Ill., having had seven big weeks. He had his line of stores up in Canada with Johnny Jones for six weeks, and came from Winnipeg to Aurora.

Earles is possibly the leading wholesale concessionaire of the show world. He had 500 feet of the choicest space at the Aurora fair, buying it at $10 a foot, and sub-leased 200 feet at the same rate. He controlled 10 wheels with 30-foot fronts.

The players are said to give Earles' system a run everywhere for the reason that his wheels are venders of merchandise, and valuable prizes are given out about every third roll.

The blanket and silverware stores attract the most people, according to Earles.